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Shamgar findings pin blame on GSS, Gillon

THE Shamgar Commission of Inquiry into the Assassination of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday charged that for years the General Security Service has failed to protect the nation's leaders properly.

In a hard-hitting report, the commission enumerated the security establishment's failures surrounding the assassination, with the GSS and its former chief, Karmi Gillon, receiving the toughest criticism.

The police were also not spared. The 332-page report detailed ineptness by police commanders responsible for Rabin's safety, who gave orders to clear the parking lot where he was murdered, but failed to make sure they were implemented.

A classified section touched on the relations between the Prime Minister's Office, the government authority in charge of the GSS, and the security service.

called for extra manpower to help clear the Tel Aviv City Hall parking lot near where Rabin was later murdered, but the extra forces were late and, when they finally arrived, failed to do what they were ordered.



Members of the security forces lead suspects captured in yesterday's raids to a collection point at the Bir Zeit soccer ground. (IDF Spokesman)

Commission clears GSS commander, rules 5 others and police officer negligent on night of Rabin murder

ONE of the seven General Security Service and police officers issued warning letters in December by the Shamgar Commission, K., the head of the Non-Arab Affairs Division, was cleared in the final report released yesterday.

telligence information on threats of attack by Jewish extremist. "Gillon should have seen to planning operational and conceptual readiness that would create an appropriate level of preparedness in the VIP Protection Unit," in an effort to foil such an attempted attack.

Hundreds of Palestinians held in huge sweep

THE security forces rounded up 371 Palestinians in villages north of Ramallah yesterday, hauling them blindfolded onto a football field for questioning about suspected links with Islamic militants.

"no doubt the scope of today's raids is not the norm these days," he said. The main goal of the operation was to round up Gazans studying in colleges in the Ramallah area in defiance of Biran's order to return home. Biran targeted the

Gazans, since most of the Hamas activists linked to the bombers were students from Gaza, many of whom attend Bir Zeit University. The university has been a font of Hamas activism and Yithy Ayyash, "the Engineer," recruited

ed many followers when he was a student there. "The connection between Gaza and Judea and Samaria is one of terror and incitement," said Deputy Defense Minister Ori Orr.

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Commission rejects 'conspiracy theories'

THE Shamgar Commission Report categorically rejected the "conspiracy theories" surrounding the assassination of prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, saying it looked into many of them and found them baseless.

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informer must keep tight control of him, not to allow him to initiate actions at his will ... and to prevent the carrying out of provocations, that in the end may have a boomerang effect," the report stated.

Orr: GSS is properly supervised

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

DEPUTY Defense Minister Ori Orr does not believe the government's supervision of the General Security Service needs to be revised, despite the highly critical Shamgar Commission report.

Sarid applauds findings of Shamgar Report

ENVIRONMENT Minister Yossi Sarid, a member of the ministerial committee for secret services, yesterday called the Shamgar Report on Yitzhak Rabin's assassination "deep, responsible, and balanced."

LIAT COLLINS

mined that the failing was not limited to the event itself, but stemmed from the fact that its approach towards protecting the premier was untenable.

Cohen said the failings could be found not only with the GSS, but "with Israeli society and particularly the extreme right wing. All blame for the terrible deed lies with the perpetrators, but the security failing lies with the GSS."

Nonetheless, Cohen also praised the GSS. "The lives of each and everyone of us, every day and every hour, are in their hands and they do their work faithfully," he said.

Winning numbers and caps

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Soldier: Amir kept asking for explosives

YIGAL Amir's repeated requests to put together some explosives for his brother Hagai to try out made me stop and think," St-Sgt. Arye Schwartz told his court martial yesterday.

Yitzhak Rabin, was appearing for his sentencing hearing in the Northern District Military Court. Schwartz confessed as part of a plea-bargain agreement. He said he agreed to the Amir brothers' request to supply "amateur sapper" Hagai Amir with explosives with which to "experiment." (Iim)

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MICHAL YUDELMAN

SHIMON SHEVES, a former close aide to prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, yesterday took over as director of Labor's election information campaign, which kicks off officially on Sunday.

The appointment, initiated by information campaign chairman Haim Ramon, was approved by Prime Minister Shimon Peres.

Campaign activity will increase today, with demonstrations of Labor youth in support of Peres at some 70 road junctions throughout the country, and with a rally of People for Peres in Tel Aviv.

Labor's main campaign slogan, "A strong Israel with Peres," is expected to appear in newspaper ads next week, but the real campaign activities are due to begin only after Pessah, party secretary-general Nissim Zvili said, noting that "people don't like aggressive campaign activity on holidays."

Zvili said he will try to persuade Labor and Social Affairs Minister Ora Namir, who resigned from her campaign post as head of the pensioners' sector, to change her mind. Namir, who quit following her election to the relatively low 13th place in Labor's primaries, is on a two-week vacation.

Industry and Trade Minister Micha Harish, who was named director of election day operations, is also having doubts whether to continue his campaign activity after his failure to gain a realistic slot on the Knesset list.

Harish is to meet Peres and campaign chairman Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, who will try to persuade him to stay in the campaign.

Party leaders are also considering ways of compensating Deputy Foreign Minister Eli Dayan for being pushed off the Knesset list, by offering to back him for secretary-general or giving him a diplomatic posting after the elections.

### Gillon: I am not upset with the commission

Former GSS head Karmi Gillon gave the following response to the Shamgar findings:

"At the time, I was one of a small number of people who initiated the establishment of a judicial commission of inquiry. I viewed the very act of its establishment as having great importance for the public after the heavy mourning that descended upon the nation.

"We in the General Security Service took immediate action. We came to conclusions and learned organizational, professional, and personal lessons on the basis of the internal committee of inquiry that we established on November 5, and whose conclusions were presented to the prime minister and brought to the public within a few days of the assassination.

"The head of the Protection Department and I submitted our resignations three days after the murder and before the commission of inquiry was established, in accordance with the personal and organizational standards we learned at home and in the service, and our understanding of the concept of accountability.

"My resignation was not accepted then because of the national need - in [Prime Minister Shimon] Peres's words, to restore the GSS to its full might. I am gratified that the commission dismissed out of hand the idea of a conspiracy in the GSS, gratified that the intelligence sector, for which I am also responsible, was found in order, and gratified that I have already implemented many of the commission's conclusions regarding the protection of VIPs...

"My subordinates, who stood at my side before the commission, are among the best of those who spent their days and nights in the line of duty with limitless devotion. In my opinion, the commission is too hard on them, and I disagree with some of the conclusions it reached.

"However, I am not upset with the commission. I am upset over



Former General Security Service head Karmi Gillon speaks to the press after the Shamgar Commission released its report yesterday.

the murder of Yitzhak Rabin - a leader, a commander, and a humane man who gave me his full confidence. The sense of his loss is with me at all times, day and night, and that is what brought me to the decision to resign immediately after his murder. The only thing that consoles me is the knowledge that I have left behind a security service able to fulfill the heavy security missions imposed upon it by the state ... and that I have handed over the command in an orderly and dignified way to an outstanding commander and fighter as Ami Ayalon...

"There are other Jews like Yigal Amir - albeit not many - serving with us in the Golani Brigade or the Paratroopers or the Armored Corps, studying with us at university, standing beside us in line at

the movies, and shopping with us in the same supermarket, who are ready to kill a prime minister and political leaders in Israel. And I say this not as an angry prophet but as a rational person who has seen these things in the past and sees things the way they are in the present.

"These same intelligence and protection people who are being judged today, whom we all want to scrupulously obey the law and democratic behavior in our country, are the same ones who are responsible for the fact that the prime minister is not assassinated and that buses don't blow up in our cities. Be careful with their honor and look after them, for there are none better than they who are willing to assume this heavy responsibility." (Ilim)

### Shamgar Commission absolves police

RAINE MARCUS

THE Shamgar Commission findings prove the police were not responsible for any security foul-up and that they fulfilled their duties, said senior officers yesterday.

The commission recommended that Hayarkon police chief Dep.-Cmdr. Ya'acov Shoval be officially reprimanded by Inspector-General Assaf Hefetz and the reprimand listed in his personal file.

The Kikar Malchei Yisrael area, where Rabin was murdered, was under Shoval's direct jurisdiction and he was the only police officer sent a letter of warning by the commission.

Following yesterday's recommendation, Shoval's mobile phone did not stop ringing, as colleagues nationwide phoned to express solidarity after months of anxiety.

"It's impossible to say that I'm completely happy, considering the tragic event that occurred that night," said Shoval. "I was only half a meter away at the time [of the assassination]. I had hoped to be vindicated completely in light

of what I know to be true, and my actions."

But he added he felt relief, after a difficult few months. "At times I felt I was representing the police force as a whole body," he said.

Shoval also said that officers from the Hayarkon sub-district and the Tel Aviv force supported him fully, especially when he was absent for around two months when testifying before the commission.

His lawyer, Amnon Zichroni, accused "certain parties of opening fire at the police to absolve themselves of responsibility. I am happy with the findings, which just prove that the police fulfilled their duties and were not told to evacuate the area around the parking lot, nor to 'sterilize' the area," he said.

"The police points of view were accepted by the commission. In such events the police are only an assisting force, and the main responsibility is on the GSS."

Another police officer said that

the term "sterile area" was invented by the GSS after the assassination. Shoval's reprimand, he added, would not hamper his chances of promotion.

Inspector-General Assaf Hefetz said the police would adopt the commission's findings and recommendations. "I have appointed a professional team to examine the findings and which will recommend to me, within the next few days, ways to implement them," said Hefetz. "The commission treated the police fairly. Although it did not totally exonerate us of all responsibility, it gave the correct weight to the role and responsibility of the police. We must not forget this tragic event to implement lessons learned, some of which we are putting into effect now, together with the GSS."

Internal Security Minister Moshe Shahal said that he knows Shoval to be a talented and experienced officer and "personally felt his pain." "We must examine the report thoroughly, including the classified parts, before drawing any final conclusions," he said.

### Norway may grant PA emergency funds in response to closure

HILLEL KUTTLER

WASHINGTON

NORWAY intends to provide "tens of millions" of dollars in emergency assistance to the Palestinians to alleviate economic losses incurred from the closure of the territories, a Clinton administration official said yesterday.

The Norwegians "have been particularly active in recent weeks" in examining ways to provide assistance, the official said. The aid would represent "unilateral Norwegian efforts" to address the problem, rather than an additional international apparatus to aid the Palestinians, he added.

The US does not intend to add to its 1993 five-year, \$500 million pledge to the Palestinians, he said. Oslo's move is meant only as a short-term fix for closure-related losses, because "what the

Norwegians don't want is to have current developmental funds tapped once more," he said.

Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat reportedly stated earlier this week that a \$1 billion infusion would be necessary, but the US official dismissed that figure as unrealistic.

Meanwhile, security experts and ambassadors from 28 countries were to convene at the State Department last night for the start of a two-day session on counter-terrorism that is a follow-up to the March 13 Sharm e-Sheikh conference.

Regional participants include Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Israel,

Jordan, Kuwait, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, the PA, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

Israel's delegation is headed by Foreign Ministry Deputy Director-General Yigal Pressler.

Although a general statement may be issued after the working groups' meeting today, no formal communique will be issued, Israeli and US officials said.

"We are not hyping this meeting as producing a declaration, a statement," the US official said. "Rather, it's to produce ... specific kernels of concrete counter-terrorism areas ... which would be referred to capitals and then to the mini-terial meeting. [to be] held, probably, next month."

### Amir to be kept in Beersheba Prison

CONVICTED assassin Yigal Amir will soon be transferred from Hasharon Prison to his former cell at Beersheba Prison.

He was transferred to Hasharon during his trial to enable easy access for court-appointed psychiatrists to examine him. Hasharon is also much nearer to Tel Aviv, where the trial was

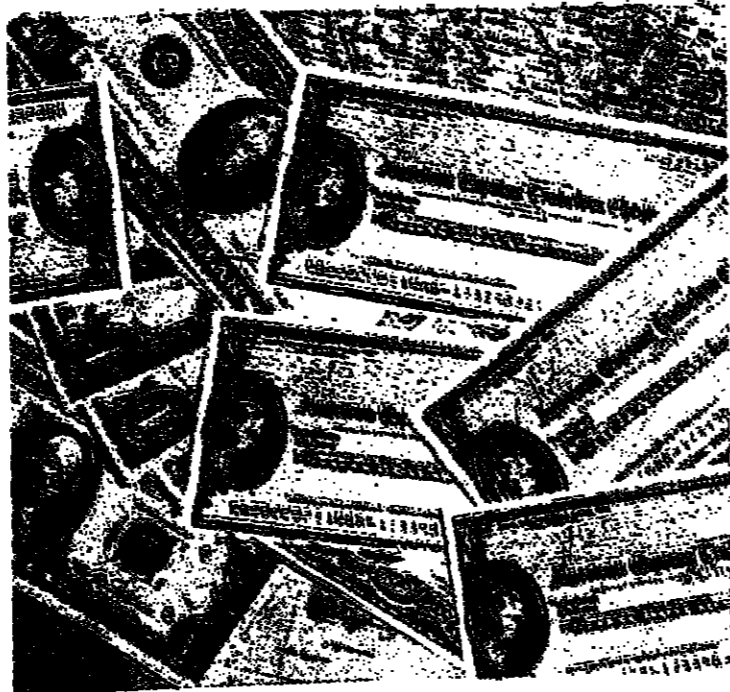
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The Shamgar Report

THE Shamgar Commission's decision not to recommend criminal prosecution of security officials in the Rabin assassination case is probably justified.

Perhaps the most illuminating statement in the report is the commission's rejection of the General Security Service's claim that it was impossible to give political figures better protection.

That is why the commission felt the forced resignation of GSS head Karmi Gillon, who was not even in the country at the time of the assassination, was justified.

It may be understandable, too, that the commission's findings on the involvement of agent provocateur Avishai Raviv with the murderer were confined to the secret part of the report.

What the investigation seemed unable to do - at least in the published part of the report - was to determine who called out "blanks, blanks" during the shooting.

Inexorably, the report's rhetoric immediately following the assassination, which blamed "right-wing extremists" for the killing and concomitantly defined all opponents of Rabin's policies as "extremists," came to life again yesterday.

Mad cows and Euro-men

THE past week has seen an outbreak of hysteria across the entire European Union that is scarcely credible and that once again raises disturbing questions about the quality of information provided to national leaders.

The issue of BSE in cattle - mad cow disease - is undoubtedly one that requires, and is getting, the best attention of serious scientific brains.

While the management of the developing crisis by Prime Minister John Major's government has not been the most competent, the panic-stricken reaction of the European bureaucrats has been mind-boggling.

EU Farm Commissioner Franz Fischler admitted to the European Parliament that there is no proof of a direct link between BSE and the similarly rare Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) in humans.

There is no proof that there is no link between many things in the created biological world, but such a piece of bureaucratic nonsense must be one of the flimsiest reasons ever given for a step of such enormous potential consequences.

The Euro-politicians have been quick to cite "the need to restore public confidence" as the excuse for their hasty actions.

Of course public health is a major concern of any government. But, by contrast with the blind panic of the Eurocrats, the British national farmers union made an eminently sensible suggestion - that older cattle which may have been exposed to BSE-contaminated fodder should be removed from the food chain.

As scientific research progressed and came up with clearer answers, further measures would be implemented to keep in step - as is done in all other cases of suspect contamination.

However, the damage is probably done to Britain's meat industry and the day will surely come when the European knee-jerkers will have to admit their responsibility for it and the ensuing cost.

POSTSCRIPT

Sir, - Rabbi Howard Kandell's letter of February 29 explained a so-called issur (prohibition) proclaimed by Orthodox rabbis in New York against participating in public appearances of Minister without Portfolio Rabbi Yehuda Amital.

RABBI AMITAL'S ROLE

as follows: "To bring Judaism to the government and convey the legitimacy of the government to the Jews."

Rabbi Amital is serving as a personal bridge between government and religion. His presence in the cabinet no doubt affects the tone and content of speech at cabinet meetings.

ernment is not a demonized force savaging the Land and the People of Israel, but rather a freely elected government that is trying to ensure the survival of the Jewish people in its land.

One does not have to agree with the policies of Prime Minister Peres in order to respect his seriousness of purpose and the sincerity of his belief in the Land and People of Israel.

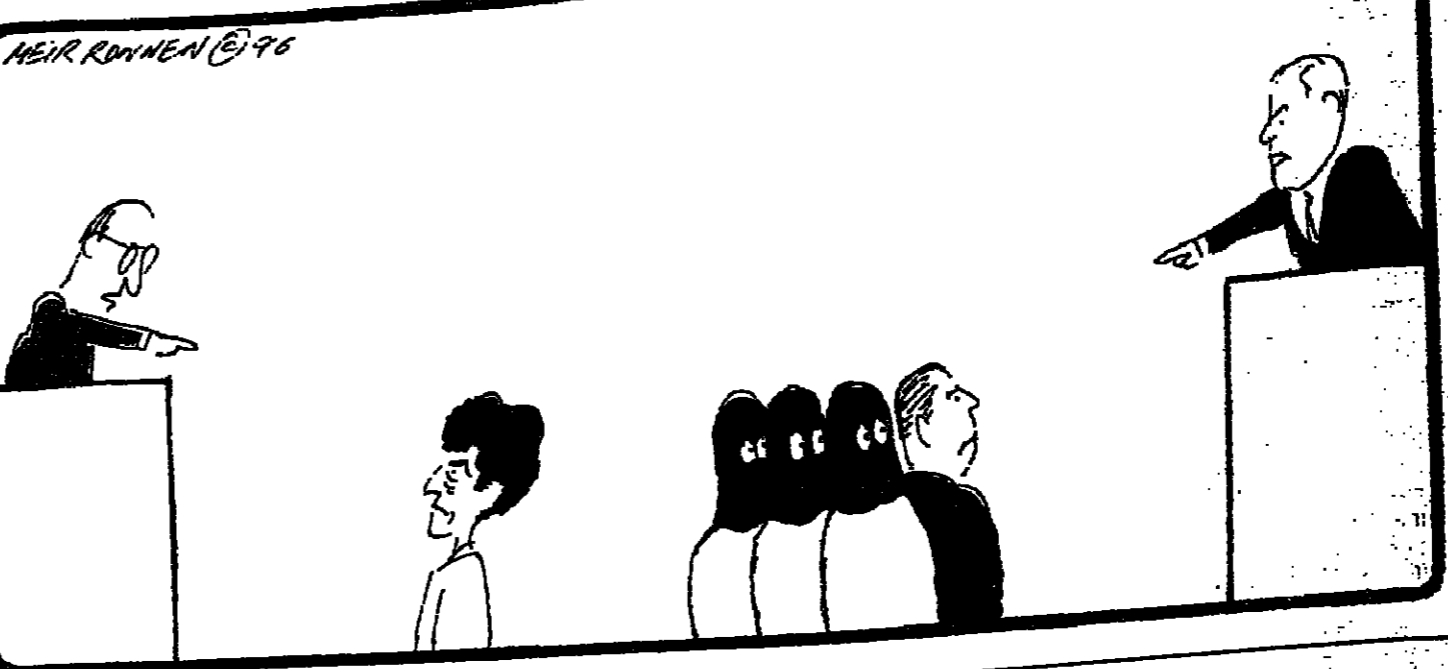
RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN New York.

SPEAKING TRUTH

Sir, - Bravo for Esther Wachsmann's "A process that mocks justice" (March 15). Mrs. Wachsmann is a heroine because of tragic circumstances.

affairs we find ourselves in. Since she and her husband did "give peace a chance," her credibility and insight should be respected even by ardent Oslo supporters.

JANICE WEINREB Ra'anana.



A shattering of party lines

MOSHE ZAK

THE Oslo process has shattered traditional demarcation lines in Israeli politics. While outright left-wingers are casting doubts on the Oslo accords, louder voices on the right are calling for its acceptance.

Candidate number 13 on Meretz's list in the last elections now talks about the "Oslo illusion" and wrote this week: "It is now clear that the whole security side of this approach [relying on the Palestinians in the war against terrorism] has been refuted."

At the same time, candidate number 13 in the Likud primaries is stating that his party should accept the Oslo agreement as a given, and come to terms with it.

This polarization and lack of congruity with party lines are the consequence of the twilight in which the Oslo agreement is wrapped. It has been identified, wrongly, as a peace process.

There is now a consensus across the political spectrum that the IDF should not be sent back to Gaza; just as in 1967 there was virtual agreement that the Gaza Strip should be annexed (it even featured in Mapam's peace plan.)

Israel has pulled out of Gaza even without the Oslo agreement. Prior to the 1992 elections, defense minister Moshe Arens proposed a unilateral withdrawal from Gaza, even without an agreement with the Palestinians.

On this question, Prof. Yehoshua

Porat, noted for his research on the Palestinian nationalist movement, wrote this week: "The signatories to the Oslo agreement did not pay attention to the basics. In the document brought home from Oslo they did not demand that the Palestinians cease the armed struggle, only that they should condemn terrorism."

trying to pull a fast one by proposing a new covenant, without any anti-Israeli clauses. But it will keep the old covenant in its bottom drawer, ready to use when needed. The Oslo process is not a finished product.

The confusion of left and right over the Oslo accord only highlights its contradictions

of Arab rhetoric knows that the Arabs do not consider they are carrying out terrorist attacks, but actions in a legitimate armed struggle.

The repeal of clauses in the Palestinian Covenant calling for the elimination of Israel wasn't included in the original Oslo agreement either. Only after a last-minute PLO demand for recognition as the representative of the Palestinian people did Israel add its requirement on changing the covenant.

The PLO, in no hurry to uphold this undertaking, has now made its fulfillment conditional on our ending the closure of the territories and evacuating Hebron.

WHEN THE Americans sought the repeal of the 1975 UN resolution equating Zionism with racism, they knew how to go about it, simply and assertively. They won a decisive majority in the UN for a proposed resolution explicitly annulling the anti-Zionist one.

Israel hasn't been sufficiently alert to Palestinian maneuvering on the covenant issue. The PLO is

round in the search for a way to reach a settlement with the Palestinians.

The pushing for separation and the imposition of the closure on the territories do not jibe with the declarations of economic cooperation made at Oslo.

It is true that Israel's security requirements are what made the closure necessary, but the Oslo agreement was supposed to provide a solution to security problems. It hasn't lived up to expectations.

The "Oslo spirit" gave birth to Israel's campaign to raise financial support for the Palestinian Authority, on the assumption that famine in Gaza spawns suicide bombers.

But this claim has boomeranged back on us. The Arabs are now claiming that the closure has caused millions of dollars in damage to the residents of the territories; they are therefore demanding that Israel end the closure at once so the Palestinians can come and work here.

In the Oslo agreement, Israel never assumed the responsibility of providing the residents of the

territories with a living, but it did, in the Paris agreement, commit itself to providing work for the Palestinians.

Following the Six Day War, government "doves" opposed employing workers from the territories in Israel, but the "hawks" pressed for it so as to bring about the economic integration of Judea, Samaria, and Gaza with Israel.

Now the doves are calling for employing workers from the territories instead of foreign workers, while the hawks support the continuation of the closure.

This reversal is just another example of the new chaos in our political system.

More: Those who spoke loudest against Israeli investment across the Green Line are now urging the government to invest beyond it for Palestinian benefit. And those who claimed the settlements stole resources from our development towns and poor neighborhoods are now willing to transfer resources to the Palestinians, who cannot work in Israel.

All this is being voiced with the rationale that Israel exploited the Palestinians during the occupation - totally ignoring the fact that the annual per-capita income of the Palestinians in Judea, Samaria, and Gaza is 40 percent higher than that of their brethren across the border in Jordan and Egypt.

Our problems with our neighbors are too complex for instant Oslo-type solutions. Such problems cannot be solved at the stroke of a pen.

At Oslo, a limited time-span was allowed for solving an age-old conflict.

A genuine peace process requires cautious steps forward, a great deal more patience, and no panic over the possibility of a renewed intifada.

The writer, a veteran journalist, comments on current affairs.

A little from here, a bit from there

MAX SINGER

THE opposition can take either of two positions. It can say that the Oslo agreement and its implementation is a single package, and the terror proves that this package was a mistake from the start.

Or it can argue that the terror proves major changes in the implementation of Oslo are necessary, that those changes can be made without giving up on Oslo, and that it remains to be seen whether Oslo can be made to work.

The core of Oslo, Yitzhak Rabin's legacy, has two components: a relationship between the government of Israel and representatives of the Palestinians, and transfer to Palestinian Authority control of the area densely populated by Palestinians.

No matter what else in the Oslo process is changed, if these two components remain, it is still Rabin's Oslo strategy.

Two underlying approaches were available for implementing the basic Oslo strategy. Shimon Peres chose to use the "new Middle East" approach, which says that because of changes in the world, especially the Middle East, the way to protect Israel's security is to satisfy the reasonable needs of the Palestinians and help Yasser Arafat strengthen the PA so that he and it can cooperate with Israel and control any residual terror threats.

The alternative is to see relations between the Palestinians and Israel after the Oslo peace as being like other relations in the Middle East. Every Arab ruler knows that although other Arab rulers embrace him when they meet, they may attack him or his country by military force or assassination at any time.

In the Middle East security comes not from peace alone, but from physical measures of self-protection, balance of power and interest, and from deterrence. Governments only do what they

have agreed to do when they are forced to.

Instead of condemning the whole Oslo process, Binyamin Netanyahu could focus on the need to go forward by implementing Oslo differently, challenging Peres, but not Rabin.

The alternative to Peres could be a "real Middle East" approach rather than a rejection of Oslo.

How about replacing Peres's New Middle East with a 'Real Middle East' approach?

The opposition could promise that although it disagreed with Oslo when the agreement was made, since it is now a reality with wide-spread support, in the interest of unity it will work to try to make the essential core of Oslo succeed.

Since the Palestinians have not complied with the terms of Oslo, Israel isn't required to continue along the implementation path Peres has taken; it has no obligation to refrain from the measures it needs to protect itself.

Using this approach, Netanyahu would add increasingly forceful measures of attacking terrorist organizations. While the war against terror would not ask Palestinian permission, it would start by trying to do the job with minimal interference with Palestinian life. But additional measures would be added as necessary, despite the disruption of Palestinian life, until the terrorists are defeated.

Success would come from a combination of Israeli measures and actions that Palestinians take, as more and more of them reluctantly become convinced that the only way they can protect themselves is by controlling terrorists.

Using standard security techniques for fighting terrorists is

consistent with Rabin's argument that Oslo preserved Israel's options. Eventually, if nothing else works, Israel will have to give up the Oslo experiment and resume its control of the Arab cities, or any of them which continue to support terrorists.

This would not be the goal; it would be the last resort - and the Palestinians' greatest incentive to solve the problem before it becomes necessary.

A "real Middle East" approach would have to make clear that Oslo's reference to the "mutual rights" of Israel and of the Palestinians means that both Israel and the Palestinians have rights, not that they have the same or equal rights.

Palestinians' rights are based on the fact that many of them have been living on a portion of the land for a number of generations, although no Palestinian or local Arab group was ever sovereign in Palestine.

Israel's rights have multiple sources, including the League of Nations mandate, international law, Israel's descent from the Jewish states that were sovereign for more than 1,000 years, and Israeli settlement on previously unused land.

The assertion by the government of Israel of claims of right in what remains of Mandatory Palestine is part of the heart of a realistic approach to implementing Oslo. If Israel gave up Nablus and Ramallah like a thief returning stolen property, it would be hard to convince Palestinians that Israel might take them back. Fear of losing the areas they have been given

is the ultimate motivation for Palestinians to make the peace work. While this does not require Israel to make specific threats, it does require that Israel shows it believes in its legal and moral claims to the land.

If Netanyahu takes a realistic approach to implementing Oslo, those Israelis who didn't think it could work could take the limited risk of joining Oslo's supporters in an attempt to make Rabin's experiment succeed.

If the attempt works, the former will turn out to have been wrong; if it doesn't work, the latter will be the ones who have to say "You were right; now we'll have to try your way again."

But in either case Israel will be preserving the unity of policy it needs to protect the country, although there will be bitter arguments about whether the high cost in lives was necessary.

This approach will bring together the great majority of Israelis, leaving out only those who believe in a new Middle East and those who believe that the unity of Jewish land is more important than the unity of the Jewish people and the security of the Jewish state.

It also has the advantage of preserving the great diplomatic benefits Oslo brought to Israel.

At the core of Oslo was something of great value that produced important benefits for Israel at very high cost.

To bring Israelis together, Oslo should be neither rejected out of hand nor stubbornly implemented with discredited approaches.

The unity Israel needs depends on Israelis learning that the best answer often takes something from both sides.

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# Headed for trouble

ALLAN E. SHAPIRO

With this week's primaries behind us, Israel's political system, despite appearances to the contrary, is not headed toward America. Instead, we may very well be headed toward very serious trouble. And we may get there without really knowing what's in store for us.

The danger comes from the combination of the system of primaries and the direct election of the prime minister, due to go into effect in the coming general election.

Direct election carries with it the risk of stalemate, the chance that the prime minister-elect will not be able to put together a majority coalition. Primary elections increase the risk, because they weaken the control of the party leader in his own party.

Abraham Brichia, chairman of the Political Science Department of Haifa University, in an article in *Ha'aretz* (November 22, 1995) that should be required reading for everyone in Israel who takes politics seriously, called attention to provisions in the still-untested law for the direct election of the prime minister that have apparently escaped notice.

According to Section 14 of the Basic Law: The Government, the prime minister-elect must appear before the Knesset, with his government, within 45 days of the publication of the election results. Section 15(a) states that if within those 45 days the government is not presented to the Knesset, special elections will be held. These special elections are only of the prime minister, not of the Knesset.

That's not the end of it. If the prime minister is reelected, but again fails to put together a coalition within 45 days, then again there are elections for prime minister. But after two tries, he is finished. Section 15(b) provides that he can't be a candidate for prime minister again.

HERE IS a test case: Binyamin Netanyahu is elected prime minister. David Levy demands the moon. If he doesn't get it, he will take a walk with his seven MKs, democratically elected in the

Gesher primaries. Without Levy, Netanyahu has no Knesset majority.

Suppose Netanyahu says no. Then there are new elections, but only for prime minister.

Levy and his seven MKs just sit tight. Pure fantasy? Perhaps. But the really dangerous fantasy is the notion that the directly elected prime minister holds a whip over the Knesset, including the MKs of his own party: If he doesn't get his way, he can force elections for a new Knesset.

This simply is not true. It is not true immediately after the elections, as we have seen. Indeed, Knesset dissidents have the whip-hand, if they are needed to

Primaries mixed with direct election of the premier makes a dangerous brew

form a majority. Later on, once the Knesset has voted confidence in the government, it is only half true. After that, the prime minister can dissolve an oppositionist Knesset, but, as Brichia points out, according to Section 22 of the Basic Law: The Government, he can do it only with the agreement of the president.

The draft of this provision recalls those halcyon days when the president was still a titular head of state, on the model of the British monarch. What could be more in the parliamentary tradition? The prime minister asks the head of state for a dissolution of the nation's parliament.

But that titular president isn't around any more. Instead, we have Ezer Weizman. He just might have his own ideas on the subject — for example, that a national unity government is preferable.

Just as we don't have a titular head of state any more, neither do we have disciplined parties.

That's where the adoption of the system of primaries comes in. In tomorrow's Knesset, every member is, to no small degree, in business for himself. Criticism of primaries has concentrated on faults within the system itself. The problem of financing urgent needs attention, for example.

The system does not exclude the possibility of manipulation of various sorts, generally lumped together under the rubric of deals. However, little attention has been accorded the integration of the system as such, with or without its imperfections, in the political culture of Israel.

If all goes well, and there is no stalemate between the prime minister and an oppositionist Knesset, the impact of the combination of direct election of the prime minister and primaries is likely to differ in the two major political camps.

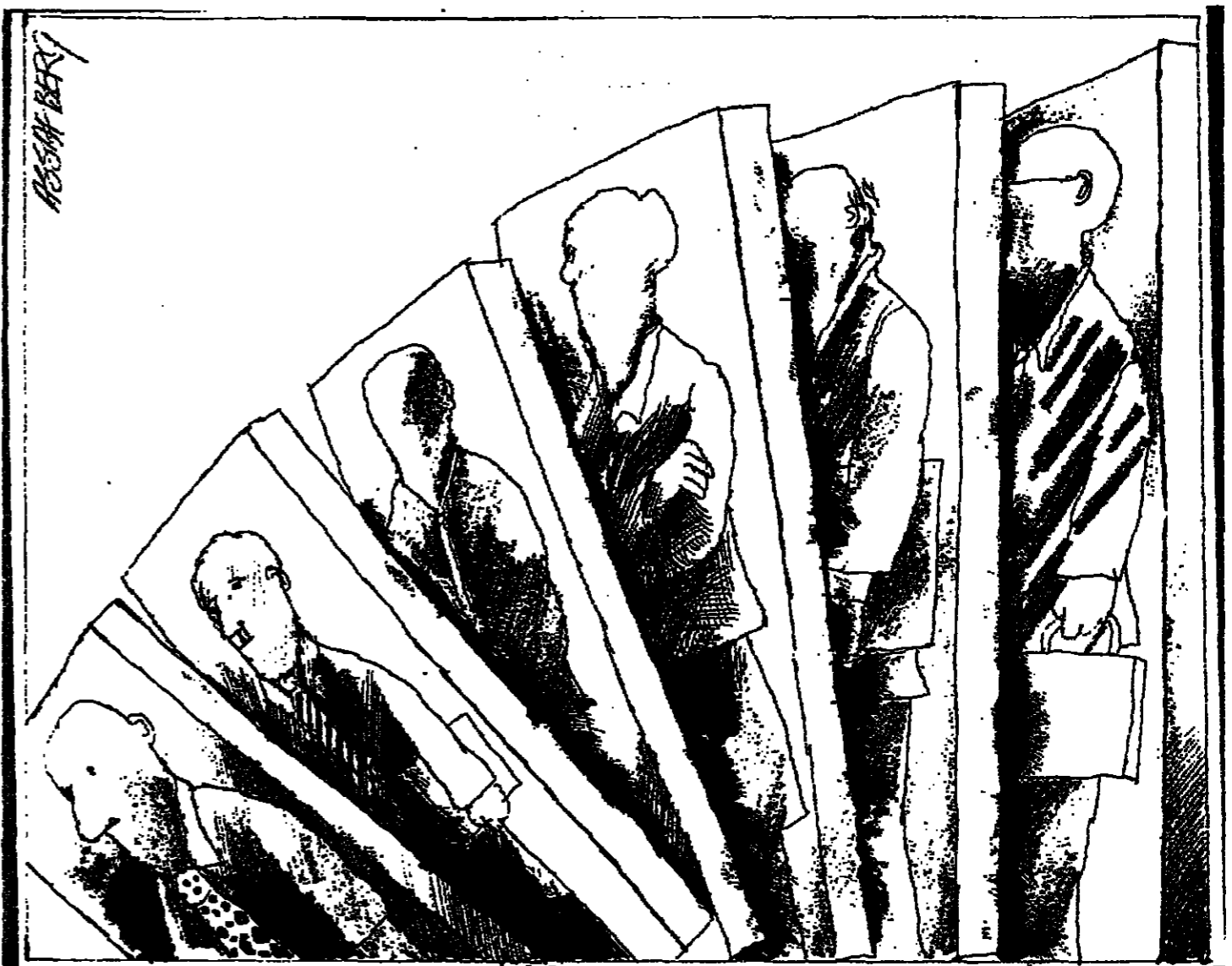
Netanyahu has supported both forms. A presidential style of leadership is consistent with the populist tradition of Jabotinsky. How this jibes with the presence of 14 MKs with independent bases of power is a question.

The political socialization of Shimon Peres is strongly parliamentary. He opposed the adoption of direct elections and is less than enthusiastic about primaries. The Labor movement rests on a federative basis, antagonistic to populist leadership. Peres, like Yitzhak Rabin before him, is aware of the limitations of party leadership.

Even Rabin, with his presidential pretensions, refused to condone the return of Haim Ramon to Labor on terms similar to Netanyahu's deals with Tzomet and Gesher. Nor has Peres tried to lure back the Third Way, even though the Golan issue is off the agenda for the coming elections.

However, if there are problems in putting together a majority coalition, the political system as a whole is in for trouble. Perhaps the direct election of the prime minister and primaries are festivals of democracy. But after the festivities, what then?

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# American import that works

AMOTZ ASA-EL

Why, governor, every thinking man will be voting for you," an avid admirer once said to Adlai Stevenson. Unimpressed, the man who ultimately lost two consecutive presidential races, retorted: "Yes, but what I need is a majority."

This politically-charged week left scores of disgruntled losers across Israel, people whose political aspirations, like Stevenson's, were dealt a severe blow when they failed to win a majority. And in line with local custom, only a very few of them were noble enough to attribute their defeats to their own rather than the system's failures.

As may be expected, many of those losers now shrink from Israel's new, jingoistic, telegenic politics of fliers, T-shirts, and touch screens.

But the system is good — and if some doubted its merits, this week's primary elections did a good job of proving them wrong. It's a great temptation to say that our American-imported primaries are to politics what cheeseburgers are to gastronomy — cheap, mass-produced dishes that are high on looks, taste and aroma, but low on nutrition.

The primaries, warned their opponents, might suck the business sector into dense political labyrinths, spawning demagogues and transforming nonentities into instant leaders — like Chancey, the handsome genderer in Jerzy Kosinski's *Being There* who rose to political prominence in spite of being mentally retarded.

Yes, the relationship between politics and big business is problematic; but only a fool would think it all began with the dawn of the primaries era. Didn't Mapai's finance minister Pinchas Sapir enlist the clout of leading industrialists like textile tycoon Yisrael Polack back in the '60s? Didn't Menachem Begin utilize the services of fishing magnate Ya'acov Meridor in the 1970s?

What about Agudat Yisrael? Didn't it tap the wealth of carpet tycoon Abraham Shapiro in the 1980s? And didn't millionaire Shmuel Fiatto-Sharon criminally buy his way into the Knesset back in 1977?

Like recent revelations of big

business-contaminated politics in Italy, France, Japan and Spain, none of this bore any relation to the primaries system.

To suggest, therefore, that the symbiotic relationship between society's two main power sources, mammon and domination, began in our time, and in Israel, betrays either ignorance, or devilishness, or both.

Moreover, those who were alarmed by earlier warnings of legislators financed by the underworld roaming the Knesset will

supported, displaying a remarkable measure of conservatism while using their new clout to smooth out the professional politicians' most glaring bumps.

Had it not been for the primaries, we would have had four more years of lackluster party hacks like Micha Harish, the minister of industry and trade, who besieged the Bank of Israel and the Treasury, insisting they hand out tax money to rich foreign investors; or Yisrael Kessar, the minister of transport who did

had the public not been given its chance to intercede.

All this isn't to say the system is perfect.

The Labor electorate's dismissal this week of Knesset Finance Committee Chairman Gedalya Gal, for instance, was an ugly blow, retribution for the battle he waged against the Electric Company's monopoly on power generation and distribution. The apparently well-orchestrated voting of most of the company's 12,000 employees and their family members sufficed to depose Gal.

But would he have survived had his future been decided by a party center, let alone a committee? In all likelihood these would have been even more subservient to union pressure.

In short, this can be said about the primaries: They are better than what we had before. Now they need legislation to standardize and regulate them.

Had all the parties' primaries been held on the same day, required no party membership but just a citizen's ID, been run under the umbrella supervision of a judicial panel, and been done for all parties at every voting station — even this writer, an obsessively apolitical animal, might have voted in them.

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For those who doubted the merits of primaries, this week went a long way in proving them wrong

have a hard time telling us who those hoodlums "front men" might be: Knesset Speaker and political scientist Shevah Weiss? Actress Naomi Blumenthal? Classical music expert Dan Meridor? Yossi Beilin, author of three books?

THE PUBLIC did not, in the end, make any particularly awkward choices this week. In fact, the results look as reasonable as any party caucus's, if not downright better.

Labor, Likud and Meretz voters all elected teams strikingly similar to those they had previously

little — actually, nothing — to privatize our airlines, buses and trains.

In a party caucus riddled with favoritism, Kessar would have easily survived; thanks to the primaries he didn't even bother to run, making room for a fresh new talent like Prof. Shlomo Ben-Ami.

Or take Benny Begin, who courageously challenged his party's pathetic pacts with political hitchhikers elbowing their way into the Knesset in brazen defiance of the primary zeitgeist. Begin would have been stabbed in the back by the party apparatus

# Hope, the prevailing motif

DAVID HARTMAN

As Pessah approaches, many of us are asking: How can we celebrate our liberation while feeling the pain of terrorism and fanatic violence, and anxiety over their recurrence?

What possible meaning can the words "Next Year in Jerusalem" have when Jews fear to ride buses and walk the streets of the city?

In our hearts we always believed that our return to Jerusalem would usher in a period when Jews would no longer feel the anxiety of homelessness and powerlessness, when the Jewish psyche would regain a sense of security and trust.

It appears, however, that the idea of redemption in terms of total security and safety is more of a messianic hope than a historical fact.

In this sense, the prayer "Next Year in Jerusalem" remains unfulfilled because we realize that returning home — in the fullest sense — remains an aspiration, and not a description of our lived reality.

Nevertheless, we continue to celebrate the holiday of Pessah, to retell the great drama of liberation which marks the birth of our people. The significance of this lies, I believe, in its deep formative effect on Jewish consciousness.

The story of this founding moment in our history combines two countervailing motifs: a great hope for redemption, and a profound understanding of the pain and suffering of unredeemed history.

Jewish history and Jewish memory begin with the words "We were slaves to Pharaoh in Egypt." The first memory engraved in our souls is that of slavery and exploitation, the humiliation and degradation of being subject to the arbitrary will of a political despot.

"A new king arose over Egypt who did not know Joseph" (Exod. 1:8).

Despotism cannot be overcome by finding favor with or appeasing a despot. History may always give rise to new pharaohs who seek power without limits, feeling no moral compunction in reducing human beings to objects. Abuse of power is endemic to the human condition, and the Pessah story certainly shatters any romantic illusions one might have about inherent goodness in human nature.

However, our movement from Egypt to Sinai — from the cruel despotism of pharaoh to the hopeful vision of Moses — informs the harsh reality of human oppression with the dream of becoming a holy people.

As long as we maintain Moses' dream, as long as we understand the significance of commandment, of law and of justice and don't lose sight of what human potential can and should achieve, we can face the realities of human history without despair.

TELL YOUR children the story of Pharaoh and Egypt. Do not romanticize life, or deny the reality of exploitation and injustice.

But at the same time bring your children to Sinai, to the place where a nation of slaves heard a call to aspire to holiness

We can celebrate the freedom of Pessah even in uncertain times like these

and justice.

Throughout Jewish history, we never wavered in the degradation of Egypt, because we held onto the dream of Sinai and Jerusalem. Despite our bitter experiences of hatred and moral ugliness, our psyches were not defined by suffering.

Our longing for Jerusalem was the expression of our dream that the sword would indeed one day be turned into the ploughshare.

In recent history, the rebuilding of Israel and Jerusalem embodies the sense of hope that has always nurtured us as a people. The State of Israel attests to our strength in defying the pharaohs of the 20th century through our decision to become a visible — and vulnerable — member of the community of nations.

The Jewish people has refused

to define itself as a persecuted victim. Instead it chose to build a homeland, in a world where evil and violence continue to defile the human spirit. This courageous act shows that moral aspiration and hope can transcend the memory of suffering in shaping our destiny.

As in the past, so today. We cannot let the terrorists and the Assassins of history become the focal points of our identity. No one knows whether suicide bombings will end or whether another madman will blow himself up in a crowded bus or at a pedestrian crossing. Total security against maniacal terrorists apparently cannot be achieved.

But there is one form of security that our enemies have never been able to destroy: our power to remember and tell liberation stories; to pursue freedom and justice, even from the margins of history; our power to sing "Next year in Jerusalem" in spite of insecurity and vulnerability.

We must never forget Egypt. We must never forget the Holocaust. But we must remember that what makes us Jews is the fact that Moses brought us to Sinai.

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# Jewish Agency, government sued by Ukrainian immigrants

NEW complaints that Jewish activists from Moscow have been involved in a scam in which immigrants' funds disappeared have reached Jerusalem following the claim for damages filed Wednesday by 175 new immigrants from Ukraine.

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for the agency and bureau.

However, they claim they were not paid the sums half a year later, as had been stipulated in their contract with the Va'ad.

Agency officials said that since the Va'ad uses facilities of Israeli organizations, perhaps it is not clear to the immigrants who is an official and who an activist. The agency has already placed ads in Ukrainian papers dissociating itself from such activities and sent similar instructions to emissaries, the spokesman said.

# Woman held in connection with husband's murder

BILL HUTMAN

THE wife of a Jerusalem man found murdered in his home three months ago has been arrested "in connection with the murder," police announced yesterday.

who was behind the murder. A few days later, police detained a man who was allegedly having an affair with Yulia Sperber, believing he was involved. But the man was released soon afterwards, and apparently is no longer a suspect.

# Israeli Arabs to mark 20th Land Day quietly

DAVID RUDGE

ISRAELI Arab leaders have decided to mark the 20th anniversary of Land Day, which falls tomorrow, in quiet fashion. Municipal services in Arab towns and villages throughout the country will be shut down for the day, although all schools and businesses will be open as usual.

# Arab parties negotiate united list

DAVID RUDGE

OFFICIALS of the Islamic Movement and the Democratic Arab Party (DAP) led by MK Abdul Wahab Darawshe, began formal negotiations in Nazareth last night to forge a united Arab list to run in the Knesset elections.

mittee, which will choose the party's Knesset candidates next week. The convention also decided on the party's platform and constitution.

# Civilian IDF workers file labor dispute

The Histadrut announced yesterday that for the first time in the state's history, it has endorsed the declaration of a labor dispute involving civilian IDF employees.

With sorrow we announce the passing of our beloved mother and grandmother **LUBA BERGER**

The staff of **Anglo-Saxon Real Estate (Jerusalem)** extend sincere condolences to the managing director of the company **Werner Loyal** on the death of his sister **ERICA STEINBERGER** in New York

# World waits for Britain to contain mad cow panic

VANORA BENNETT

LONDON

Europe was to restore consumer confidence.

The crisis began when the British government admitted on March 20 that there was a possible link between bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) and its deadly human strain Creutzfeldt-Jacob disease.

Europeans took their own damage-limitation measures. An emergency meeting for European Union farm ministers was set for Monday, following the European Commission's decision on Wednesday to ban all exports of British beef and beef products to protect human health.

Vasseur suspended slaughtering and the sale of cattle and calves of British origin in France, at least until Monday, "as a precautionary measure to restore calm."

Germany's health minister ordered beef to carry health cer-

ificates proving it did not come from Britain pending new EU rules to check mad cow disease.

Germany followed a Wednesday lead by French President Jacques Chirac and offered solidarity and possible financial help for Britain if it opted to slaughter parts of its herd.

British farmers facing bankruptcy reacted with fury to what they saw as government procrastination.

"For the government to go floundering on while farmers' businesses go down the tubes is turning them [farmers] from despondency to fury," said Robin Craddock, the National Farmers' Union (NFU) representative in northeast England.

Slaughtering vast numbers of cattle would create immense practical problems - including how to dispose of the bodies.

If older cattle likeliest to have the disease were killed at a rate of 15,000 a week, the bill would come to £650 million (\$1 billion) a year.

Inside Britain, the crisis became a new stick with which to beat the unpopular Conservative Prime Minister John Major.

"In one fateful week, this government by its own ineptitude has transformed what the chief medical officer accurately described as a 'cause for concern' into a public relations fiasco," thundered the usually pro-government Daily Mail.

The crisis surrounding one of Britain's major export earners was dominating proceedings in and around parliament all day, ending with a debate in the House of Commons in the evening.

(Reuter)

# Russian forces make grab for Chechen territory

MOSCOW (Reuter) - Russian forces attacked Chechen separatists on three fronts yesterday, trying to seize control of more territory in the breakaway region before President Boris Yeltsin unveils a new peace plan on Sunday.

A Defense Ministry spokesman in Moscow said planes and artillery were used in the assaults in southern, southwestern and southeastern Chechnya.

"In the last 24 hours Russian aviation and artillery have continued delivering strikes against rebel positions in the vicinity of Bamut, Stary Achkhoy and Orekhovo," he said.

Bamut, in the southwest, houses a former Soviet nuclear missile

base which the Russians have been bombarding for more than a year.

Guerrillas are holed up in the tunnels and corridors of the complex, which houses four bomb-proof concrete shafts once used to store medium-range ballistic missiles. It is seen as one of the rebels' most important strongholds in the foothills of the Chechen mountains.

The spokesman said federal forces had seized off two villages in southern Chechnya and were starting to blockade three more settlements in the southeast.

Russian troops hold most of the Chechen lowlands, but they have failed to make any big territorial gains in the mountains, despite 15 months of fighting.

The latest efforts seem designed to push the fighters into the thinly populated southern mountains, far from strategic oil pipelines and from the regional capital Grozny, a city of 400,000 people before the fighting started in December 1994.

Officials in Moscow and among the Russian-backed administration in Grozny have said large-scale assaults in the Caucasus region will end once Yeltsin announces his peace plan.

The proposals, believed to involve limited troop withdrawals and the creation of so-called "islands of peace" in the region, will not meet the independence demands of Chechen separatist leader Dzhokhar Dudayev.

# Russian tv reporter slain in Tajikistan

MOSCOW (AP) - A correspondent for Russia's largest television station was gunned down yesterday at his office in Dushanbe, the capital of war-torn Tajikistan.

Viktor Nikulin, 27, was the 29th journalist killed in the former Soviet republic since the 1992 civil war, the ITAR-Tass news agency said.

He was shot twice after answering a knock on his office door yesterday afternoon, said Nadezhda Stekova in the chief production office at ORT television in Moscow.

"He was so young, just a boy, the son of our correspondent there," she said. "They were just beginning to work together."

In Dushanbe, Tajikistan's deputy interior minister, Gen. Gennady Blinov, told ITAR-Tass that the slaying was a "terrorist act" by an unknown gunman. He did not elaborate.

Tajikistan's war-torn republic in Central Asia where a hardline, Moscow-backed government has been at war with mostly Islamic opposition fighters for years.

The government has been harshly criticized by prominent international human rights groups for widespread human rights violations, including cases involving journalists.

Opposition forces have also been criticized for terrorist attacks, including the murders of Russians living in Tajikistan.

ORT is the largest broadcaster in the former Soviet Union.

# Zulus march with spears through Johannesburg

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter) - Twelve thousand Zulus, many brandishing spears, marched through Johannesburg yesterday to mark the killing two years ago of eight fellow tribesmen by guards of South Africa's now-ruling ANC.

Fears of violence, especially after the Zulus vowed to defy a ban on their carrying traditional weapons such as spears, brought the deployment of more than 3,000 police and troops.

But the march ended peacefully, with praise for the Zulus from the police.

"The organizers and the majority of the marchers were disciplined and showed good spirit throughout the march," provincial police commissioner Sharma Maharaj said.

The march was the biggest in South Africa's commercial capital since all-race elections in April 1994. Police said they seized 13 assegais (stabbing spears) and an axe from one group.

But witnesses said police seemed generally content to avoid confrontation as long as marchers many brandishing spears and sharpened metal bars stayed orderly.

There were no reports of violence in the city center, largely deserted except for the Zulus, some of whom carried placards condemning President Nelson Mandela "Mandela deserves a death sentence" and "Mandela is a killer."

# Bulgaria to recall Swiss envoy in antisemitic row

SOFIA (Reuter) - Bulgaria said on Wednesday it planned to recall its ambassador to Switzerland following her controversial marriage to an alleged antisemite.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman told Reuters that Elena Kircheva had failed to obey government instructions and had harmed the country's image abroad with her marriage.

Kircheva's husband, Petar Hadzhidimitrov, is known in Switzerland for his antisemitic views, his admiration of Adolf Hitler and his denials that the Holocaust ever took place, the spokesman said.

The couple married earlier this year. Though Bulgarian-born, Hadzhidimitrov has lived in Switzerland since 1974, he added.

"Of course we have distanced ourselves from the views of this man and wish above all to preserve our good relations with Switzerland," the spokesman said.

Bulgaria's Jewish organization Shalom has expressed concern over the incident in a letter to the foreign ministry, the state news agency BTA said.

President Zhelyu Zhelev, who appointed Kircheva as Sofia's ambassador to Bern in 1991, has approved the procedure to remove her from her post, BTA reported.

# Briton robs gas station to pay for wedding

LONDON (Reuter) - A penniless British bridegroom who robbed the same gas station twice in two days to pay for his wedding and honeymoon was jailed yesterday for five years.

Police arrested 47-year-old Derek Lovett as he waited for his marriage ceremony to begin, dressed in a suit with a carnation in his buttonhole.

Norma Miller, his bride-to-be, burst into tears as he was dragged off in handcuffs in January.

Lovett turned to crime when he realized he could not afford to pay the registry office where the couple were due to marry or buy a wedding ring.

He robbed a gas station in east London last December, making off with £150 (\$230), and returned two days later to steal the same amount again. Police identified him after looking at security camera film.

The court heard that Miller still wanted to marry Lovett and would wait until he was released.

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# News in Focus

Friday, March 29, 1996

## And the winner is ... the party establishment

### Sarah Honig reviews this week's party primaries in the run-up for May's elections

**I**n the late 1970s Malcolm Wallop, a rich rancher from Big Horn, Wyoming, decided he'd like to represent his state in the US Senate. The consultants he hired could find nothing with which their man could hit the incumbent. So they composed a rousing western-style song that exhorted the voters to "come join the Wallop Senate drive."

The lively cowboy tune accompanied a video clip showing Wallop leading cheery riders, all suitably-attired in western garb and hoisting the state flag, galloping exuberantly across the range.

The reason Wallop should be elected, according to the vibrant refrain, was that he is "Wyoming to the spur." The man who came up with this campaign line could not later explain what "Wyoming to the spur" meant, but said it sounded good and so he insisted on it.

He was right. Wallop defeated his very able predecessor and went on to win more elections because he had a catchy jingle, a great PR team and the money to pay for them. The issues were of no consequence.

It may be tempting to laugh this off as an embodiment of American shallowness, impossible in our deeply polarized political environment.

But the primaries we have just come through this week might well indicate that the Wallop Senate drive is exactly the sort on which our politicians might be heading.

This week they had already started down that trail. Likud MK Uzi Landau, one of the architects of his party's defunct septets system, had long ago warned that the primaries will stifle any ideology and idealism still left in our politics.

Landau considers the primaries a distasteful ordeal. He is not affluent and personally finds it "difficult to solicit for funds. But without money there is no chance."

"I preferred seeking contributions from Jews overseas rather than beholden to a local benefactor who might later need a favor. 'Actually I am one of the lucky ones. I made my name before the advent of primaries. For a newcomer with no vast sums to back his political venture, it's impossible to put a foot in the primary door."

"In the end we will be left only with the rich in the Knesset or with those who had managed to win the patronage of questionable power-brokers and kingmakers. The honest, capable, serious people will not even try."

Many - not only in Landau's party - share his view that the primaries might encourage corruption and the rise of political godfathers, worse than in the Mapai oligarchy of old.

No sooner was the voting in the Labor primary over Monday night, than Prime Minister Shimon

Peres opined that "this system needs repair. The financial burden it imposes on candidates is unbearable."

Foreign Minister Ehud Barak, who can't complain about the outcome, nevertheless reported "a gut feeling that this system will be overhauled."

Indeed everywhere in the political arena the assessment is that after May 29, moves will be initiated to correct the system and insert into it controls so that worthy candidates will not lose out to the brash, the beautiful and the wealthy. This might well be the last time in which we see the primaries in their present form, if we believe what is being said about them in the two large parties.

But it would be foolhardy to place any bets on reform just yet, because basically this week's primaries served the party establishments well.

In some cases, as in Meretz, the results were very much like what the appointments committee of yesterday would have produced in the smoke-filled back room.

What was is pretty much what is in Meretz. All the MKs who were on the 1992 list made it back, except for Shulamit Aloni and Yair Tzaban who bowed out.

The fact that the new names on the list were relegated to the unsafe 11th and 12th slots only underscores the claim that the primary system confers great advantage on those who are already famous.

But Meretz is just a small pond in comparison to the large Labor pool, where one might expect things to be far more difficult to control. Yet a careful examination of the results shows that even here the party machine did extremely well. When all is said and done, only Health Minister Ephraim Sneh really beat it. Everything else went just as the party establishment could have wished. It is the single great winner of the Labor primaries.

Peres can smile with satisfaction. Had he drawn up the list himself, as he did when he chaired the appointments committees before 1992, he would not have changed much. Uzi Baram in second slot suits him just fine.

Baram is someone relatively harmless, hardly a real challenger or a serious contender for the premiership, but he is a perfect tool with which to put the more ambitious younger boys in their place.

Peres preferred Barak over his rival Interior Minister Haim Ramon and indeed Barak beat Ramon, but was himself pushed down a peg, which from Peres's point of view is just perfect.

What happened to Ramon is certainly the vengeance of the party machine. There were organized deals and lists prepared in advance from which his name was deleted.

Ramon had feared just that, and hence lobbied for open primaries.



in which not just fee-paying party members could participate. This, he argued, would make it impossible for there to be bloc votes and boycotts such as the one the Histadrut old guard, closely allied to Peres, organized against Ramon.

The fact that Peres's protegee Yossi Beilin rose so high is also a tribute to the efficiency of the party machine, considering Beilin hardly campaigned. In 1992 he was in 27th slot and even that only after Ramon came to his aid.

The blow to Ramon and the boost for Beilin can only please Peres. His influence is omnipresent. The obligatory woman at the top is Dalia Itzik, who is close to Peres, rather than Ora Namir of the old Rabin camp. The Prof. Shlomo Ben-Ami captured a safe slot is not a sign that newcomers can break through, but that if Peres wills it, it can happen.

On the eve of the primaries Labor realized in panic that no Moroccans might get in. It was then the Peres pulled all stops to make sure that Ben-Ami does well. It worked.

TO SEE the jubilation on Likud leader Binyamin Netanyahu's face, one must assume that things had worked for him too. The netlesome Benny Begin and Dan Meridor came in after newcomer General Yitzhak Mordechai, political matchmaker Ariel Sharon and even Knesset faction chairman Moshe Katsav.

Could this be the result of those rumored prepared lists from which their princely names were deliberately omitted? The easy thing is to believe that Netanyahu indeed engaged in punitive action. But this theory runs into trouble when

we recall that Sharon too was supposed to have been targeted, yet he did better than all of the Likud's other seasoned politicians.

In fact, in terms of the real power play, he is seen as the great winner of the Likud primaries, well-rewarded for unifying the national camp.

This, coupled with the fact that the Likud lacks anything like Labor's centralized well-oiled

Mordechai, who enjoyed star status and has not yet made any enemies.

That the general he himself brought to the Likud won top billing no doubt pleases Netanyahu as it deprives Labor of the line that no one high up on his list belongs to Netanyahu's fan club.

Mordechai most ardently does. But the fact that someone who entered the party at the last moment could so clearly beat veteran runners, more than anything testifies to his vote-getting potential rather than to the Likud being a political land of opportunity.

This year it was anything but. To begin with, the race in the Likud was more grueling than in Labor because of built-in hurdles.

Labor set aside a full half of its list to regional candidates, who will become the new Knesset's backbenchers but who pay low entrance fees.

While MK Eli Dayan failed to win a safe slot despite garnering over 74,000 votes, Ron Huldai in Tel Aviv got in with a mere 2,800.

In the Likud only a third of the list went to the regional candidates. This in itself makes for a more crowded national track and a far more uphill race.

But when 14 safe slots went to Tsomet and Geshet implants, the odds against the Likud nationwide contestants grew atrocious, with only 18 safe slots left open. Except for stars like Mordechai and former deputy OSS chief Gideon Ezra, only incumbents - and very popular ones at that - stood any chance.

Netanyahu will be able to get away with having so drastically cut his party's Knesset representation only if he wins the premiership. Then, there will also be little chance that Likudniks who this week advocated amending the primary system will get anywhere.

Netanyahu after all is the most enthusiastic proponent of anything American in Israeli politics. He himself won the Likud leadership via the primary system. He is in his element in this style of politics. If he has his way, this is how his party will choose its candidates in future campaigns as well. To his mind there is no way back.

"It'll be said if primaries are here to stay, even though I personally did well in them," Landau says. He is sure that "in a few campaigns from now Israeli politics will become the exclusive preserve of the rich and famous."

And if his dire predictions are borne out, we may soon see our own local version of Malcolm Wallop saddling up - for the great Knesset drive.

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# Say goodbye to jingles, say hello to balloons

Although politicians still use the billboard to push their campaigns, there are plenty of other alternatives, Rachel Neiman writes

NOT so long ago, election advertising used to be limited to radio jingles, wall posters, graffiti and newspaper ads. Today it looks like the sky's the limit. As a matter of fact, a company called B. Rimon Agencies is pitching ad space on balloons.

Benny Rimon says he has plenty more products on which to print the name of a candidate or party - including the EZ-Up Shelter, a collapsible tent for outdoor gatherings; polyester tablecloths; road markers; flashlights and pocket knives.

A more traditional method of political advertising is the use of outdoor signs. Moshe Nur, whose company holds 58 percent of the billboard market here, says his medium "gives a brainwash nothing else can."

Most candidates have opted for 50 units either nationwide or within a given region. The cost of a one-week-long airing period is \$15,000.



Before national elections, places like Jerusalem's Mahane Yehuda market are flooded with posters of Knesset candidates and their parties. (Rahumim Israeli)

and Nur says some candidates had even planned to take advantage of this option for a second

week before the primaries. Interestingly, most of the candidates opted for Nur to do their graphics (this can include everything from billboards to flyers and wall posters), as opposed to working through an ad agency. Nur says it's an issue of price.

The newly implemented primary system means that for the first time posters have to get across the personality of some relatively unknown politicians, he says. Photos of the candidates help immeasurably in penetrating the public consciousness.

"Surveys done by Limor Livnat (Likud) found she had a 75% rise in exposure rating after her signs went up," says Nur, who used photos to work wonders in creating awareness for Haim Ramon during his bid to head the Histadrut.

Location is also an important element in outdoor signs. Nur and other sign companies all have municipal permits for their billboards and are licensed to rent out space.

Municipalities may also create temporary sign locations and rent them directly to parties. The companies do not erect special signs.

Size also plays a part. For maximum exposure, Nur recommends a combination of large and small signs. "Large gives a sense of power but small reaches more people," he says.

The cost of renting a super-sized billboard over a major highway costs some \$5,000 for production plus \$6,000 for a week's rental and is invaluable in terms of the impression it makes. However, he points out, it will reach only a certain segment of the population - those who use that road.

New technologies in outdoor signs, such as three-sided signs and their use in creating mini-animations, is not a factor in election campaign ads, says Nur.

Use of this most populist of media forms is forbidden in the Knesset elections, according to laws limiting sign size, content and location. Nur says these laws have been relaxed for other media "with stronger lobbies than ours" and says this is discrimination.

His professional union plans to file a complaint with the High Court. "We were planning to file a proposal to amend the law, but because of early elections we

don't have time." Nur also maintains that these restrictions force party activists to resort to "barbaric" methods - such as "sticking up their own posters on people's walls, using spray paint and causing damage."

LESS DAMAGING, though equally annoying, are the use of junk mail and telephone surveys.

Erez Almogi, general director of the Israel Direct Mail and Telemarketing Center, says he estimates "more budgets will be devoted to direct marketing and telemarketing during the upcoming elections." The reason why? It works.

"The advantage of this method is that we appeal with relatively expensive media (manpower-intensive telephone calls and printing) but we deal with very focused groups," says Almogi.

Companies such as Almogi's work with data bases. "In 1992 we did a fundraising appeal by telephone for one of the large political parties and raised over \$1 million," he says. The best way to raise funds is to locate past donors, the group with the highest rate of positive response, but this accounts for only a few thousand people.

"For this reason, parties also have to appeal to people who have never contributed."

In this case, Almogi says he looks for people with "high potential," meaning those with some form of declared party affiliation. After that it's a question of combing the data bases for groups based on a range of parameters: ethnic group, geographic region, neighborhood, profession, marital status - whatever works.

ALMOGI SAYS his company even identified those who had difficulty reaching polling stations and passed their names onto their client. Rides were subsequently arranged. "The name of the game is to get as many people as possible to the ballot box."

Almogi also specializes in organizing small discussion groups in people's houses. "We believe that one-on-one is the best way to sell." Personalization is also important in direct mail, he adds.

Direct mail and telemarketing have an advantage over TV, he says. "You've got to take into account that in 1992 there was only one station. This time there are two channels plus cable. That means the number of viewers [per ad] will be much lower

and the cost-effectiveness of TV advertising less." This is particularly true for primaries, he points out, with their NIS 200,000-per-candidate limit on advertising budgets. "This is very low, so expensive media such as TV, newspapers and radio won't play a part."

Diffuse though it may be, TV has become the most dominant media form used in campaigning since being allowed in 1984, says Haim Pelled, chairman of the Israeli chapter of the International Advertising Association. The reason is that "it reaches most of the population."

"No paper and no billboard can reach that many," Pelled says. "Radio lacks the added dimension of being able to look the candidate in the eye." Eye witness, he points out, also carries more weight in the Jewish legal tradition. "There's another Jewish expression: 'A man sees with the eyes of his spirit.' People see TV even if they don't always listen. They use it to interpret a candidate's reliability, empathy, trustworthiness."

In the past, says Pelled, who has been in the ad business since 1959, political parties used movie reels to get across their message.

"Generally, the emphasis was on construction, building, industry, immigration and everything centered around the idea of national security."

This focus around national rather than personal security is a very important point, Pelled says, and was expressed in party makeup. "Whoever had the most generals had the electoral power, so it was easier then for the Left to sell itself."

Israel's right, he says, scored its first coup with Arik Sharon. Today, "the Likud has more generals than Labor."

Pelled predicts this relative advantage is temporary, as personal security in the face of terrorism gains in importance.

The shift, he says, came in the late '70s "after peace with Egypt, perhaps," and the party with the most security experts will be the one with the edge. "Every party will need one."

As a believer in concentrated efforts, Pelled advises political campaigns to use less forms of media and more clear messages, "the kind that enter your mind. The kind with a high level of trust. And don't be afraid of emotion."

"No matter what the medium, he says, the message must always be clear. That's much easier for the opposition to deliver a clear message, as they're free from having to account for their actions."

Take for example the Likud-sponsored "Peres will divide Jerusalem" billboards. The short, clear message was a blow, Pelled says, as was the linkage to Peres's name. "Labor should have delivered a quick and direct response," he says. "They didn't and the score is now 1 to 0."

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# IDF to leave Hebron later rather than sooner

**T**HIS week Israel was supposed to have handed over most parts of Hebron to the Palestinians, marking the culmination of the end of the interim peace agreement with the PLO. It didn't.

Instead, in the wake of the recent brutal suicide bombings, Israel chose to violate the accords and use Hebron as a card to pressure Yasser Arafat to crack down further on Islamic militants.

Much to the Palestinians' chagrin, and to the relief of the Jews living in Hebron and Kiryat Arba, the IDF remains in control of the Judean town.

No one seems to know when the army will hand over the 90 percent of Hebron it was supposed to have done to the Palestinians.

Hebron mayor Mustafa Natshe says he has turned to the Israeli military governor to find out when the withdrawal will now take place.

"He said all the preparations were completed and he is waiting for the orders. But none have come. It can happen within a few hours," Natshe says.

A few blocks away in Beit Hadassah, Jewish settler spokesman David Wilder finds himself in a similar state of uncertainty.

"They haven't told us anything," he says, still not comprehending how Israel can intend to hand over the City of Abraham to the Palestinians.

"Abandonment of any part of Israel is unimaginable. But the fact that they would leave Hebron would lead to a serious and rapid deterioration of the security situation for us [all]," says Wilder, a spokesman for the 450-member Jewish community in Hebron.

HEBRON WAS to have been the eighth and final West Bank city Israel was to have turned over to the Palestinians under the peace accord. It was saved for last because it is the most complicated.

Considered holy by both Jews and Moslems, the small enclave of settlers, guarded by hundreds of soldiers, lives among over 80,000 Arabs.

Now, Prime Minister Shimon Peres has imposed a list of conditions the Palestinians must fulfill for the IDF's partial withdrawal to go ahead. Israel wants the Palestinians to capture Mohammed Dief, the mastermind of the latest bus bombings, and change the clauses in the Palestinian Covenant calling for Israel's destruction.

A delay for technical reasons is no longer valid since the IDF has already removed much of its equipment from the areas it is to vacate in Hebron and the bypass road is practically complete.

In fact, army commanders and defense officials say the IDF redeployment could probably take place in about six hours once the orders are given.

But defense sources say the troops are likely to remain there at least until after Pessah, during which tens of thousands of Israelis are expected to visit.

"The Israelis are holding Hebron hostage," Natshe says. "This is a violation of the agreement and it's making the people in the city frustrated and they don't believe that there is a peace process in this area. Since Oslo, nothing has been improved and the situation has only gone from bad to worse."

**BUT BEYOND** the demands on the Palestinian Authority, Israel's hesitation is equally derived from its own fears that handing over most of Hebron, a hotbed of Hamas activity, to the PA would make it more vulnerable to attacks.

In the race for another term as prime minister, Peres has sidelined his visionary image and appears to have taken up Yitzhak Rabin's "Mr. Security" role. Knowing another terrorist attack could give his Likud rival the edge in this neck-and-neck race, it raises the question of whether Peres will order the withdrawal from Hebron before the May 29 elections.

Foreign Minister Ehud Barak hinted on Wednesday that even the talks on the permanent peace agreement - which are supposed to begin in May - might be delayed.

"When the blood of our people is spilling in the streets, we cannot negotiate or redeploy in Hebron, or consider the modalities of permanent status negotiations," Barak said.

"We expect the situation about terror to change before we can redeploy in Hebron," he added. Mayor Natshe complains that his town is being used as fodder for the elections.

"After the bombings, there is a competition between the Likud and Labor to try and show who is more severe against the Palestinian people to win more votes. They should have been trying to show what kind of peace they will be bringing

instead," Natshe says. But a freeze on a redeployment is not entirely certain. Depending on how the campaign goes, Peres may want to set facts on the ground in advance of any post-election scenarios.

And Palestinians argue that having Yasser Arafat's Palestinian police on the ground in Hebron would give him an edge in controlling Islamic militants there.

**The Israelis are holding us hostage, says Hebron's mayor; meanwhile tens of thousands of Israelis are expected to visit the town over Pessah, Arieh O'Sullivan reports**

As far as the Palestinians are concerned, they see the failure to redeploy in Hebron as further punishment and a broken Israeli promise which will only cause a further erosion of Palestinian support for the peace process.

"We are not prepared to pay the price for Peres's election [win]. They are making a big mistake and the support of the population for the peace process is decreasing daily," says Jamil Tarifi, the Palestinian

Authority's Minister of Civil Affairs.

"Peres said he doesn't need to make any more security preparations to redeploy the Israeli army from Hebron. The decision is his and everyday he

stalls, it changes the atmosphere in the West Bank," Tarifi says.

"They are making demands on us to be committed to the agreement and take steps against Hamas, while they themselves are not committed to the accords," Tarifi says.

Mark Heller, a senior research fellow at the Jaffee Center, speculated that the last thing the government wanted was to give the opposition "cheap ammunition"

for attacking it in the elections.

"Handing over Hebron and then having an attack from there would be electorally fatal," Heller says.

Wilder also believes the troops would remain in place until after the elections.

"The fact that he is turning over parts of Israel and giving Hamas a present in Hebron is diametrically opposed to anything he says," asserts Wilder.

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# Playing it safe with Israel

There has been a dramatic rise in the number of Arab Jerusalemites applying for Israeli citizenship. Jacob Dallal investigates

**O**n a recent afternoon at a Jerusalem office, George brought refreshments for his Jewish co-workers on the occasion of his having just received Israeli citizenship.

George (not his real name) is not a new immigrant; he is an Arab who has lived in the Jerusalem area all his life. Until about a year ago, like almost every Arab living in Jerusalem, George had a "blue card" which gave him permanent-resident status in Israel but not citizenship.

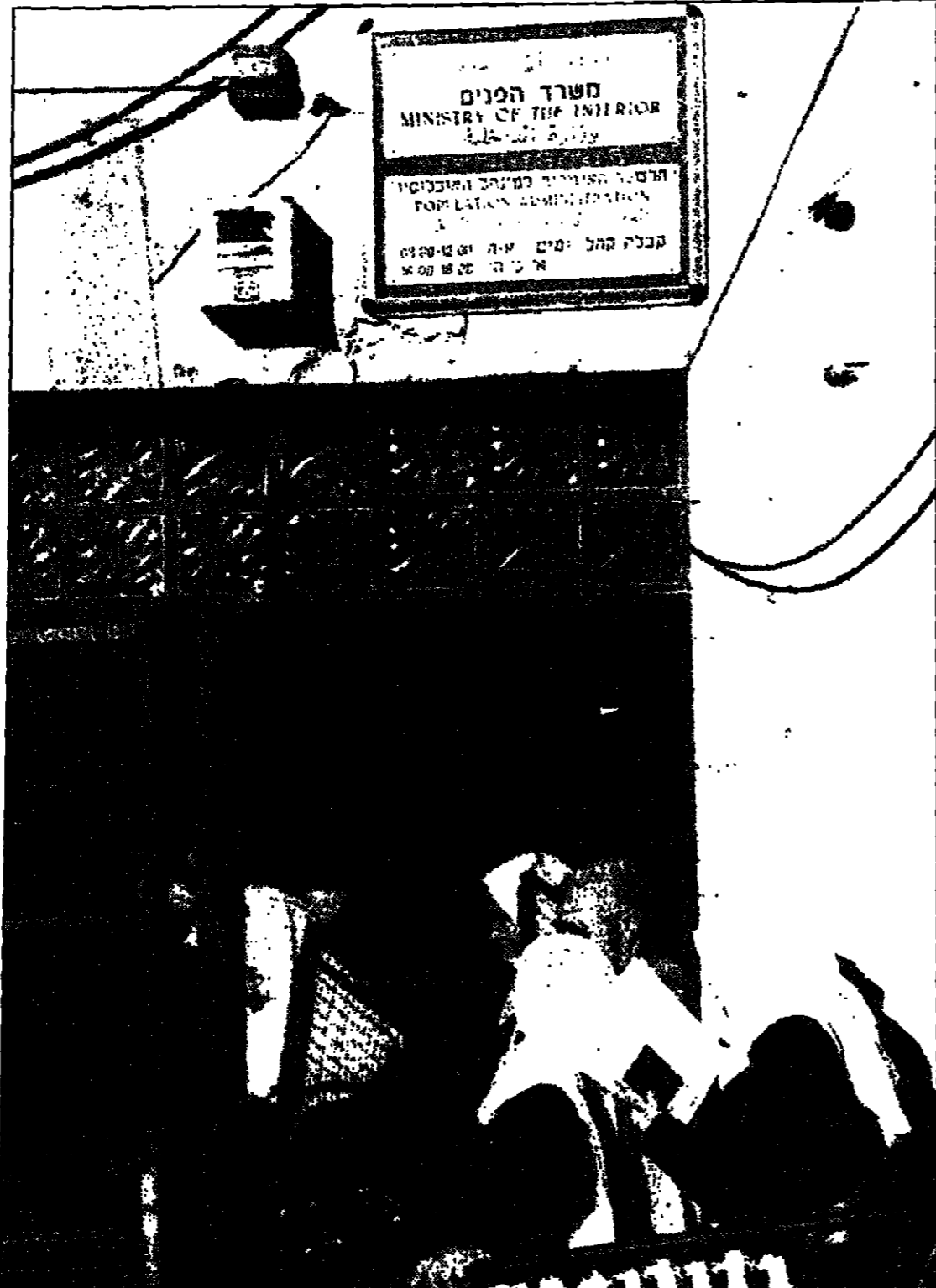
But with the uncertainty of the future direction the peace process might take - including the status of Jerusalem - and with the handing over of areas around Jerusalem to the Palestinian Authority, George became worried about the future.

He decided to be on the safe side and exercise his right as a Jerusalem resident to apply for Israeli citizenship for himself and his family.

In making this move, George is part of a growing trend: In recent months there has been a dramatic rise in the number of Arab residents of Jerusalem applying for Israeli citizenship.

Many of these people feel that, should things take a turn for the worse under Palestinian rule, they will now be able to turn to Israel for protection. They will be able to continue to work and move freely in Israel, regardless of the situation in the Palestinian areas, and will have the option of moving to live within the Green Line if things become very bad. In addition they will enjoy the benefits of National Insurance.

Until recently, only a tiny number of Jerusalem Arabs applied for citizenship, perhaps several dozen each year. Becoming a citizen of the Jewish state was viewed as traitorous to the Palestinian national



Arab residents line up to apply for citizenship at the Ministry of the Interior in east Jerusalem: a translator of documents from Arabic to Hebrew types up a citizenship application outside the ministry office. (Ariel Jerolimski)



cause. But in the last two years, the number of applicants has risen to between 80 and 100 a month.

"This is happening on the back of the Oslo peace process and it points to lack of confidence among Palestinians about the future," says Ifrah Zilberman, a researcher at Hebrew University's Truman Institute and a specialist in Jerusalem Arabs.

According to the Ministry of the Interior, in 1994 and 1995, 962 Jerusalem Arabs were granted citizenship, bringing the total number of those with Israeli citizenship to

1,765, of an estimated 170,000 Arab residents of the city.

But in addition, there is a backlog of 5,000 citizenship applications from Arabs, and most of these requests are from blue-card holders.

"There is tremendous overload since the Oslo accord," says Ministry spokeswoman Tova Ellinson.

Today it can take a year to process an application. "It's a bureaucratic problem; we are trying our best to speed up the processing," Ellinson says.

"We are talking of an increase of several hundred percent," Zilberman notes, "and it is worrying the Palestinian leadership very much in closed-door discussions."

ALI, 22, was born in Silwan and now lives in Eizariya, a village just outside the city limits, now Area B. He works as a delivery man in Jewish neighborhoods in Jerusalem.

Two years ago Ali and his brother, who is 24 and works as a refrigerator serviceman, started considering applying for Israeli citizenship.

But when Ali's brother asked a local sheikh, he was told that it was forbidden under Islamic law. The brothers dropped the idea for a while, but now Ali says they have decided to go ahead with their applications despite the religious prohibition.

"I am afraid the Palestinian Authority will come and confiscate

my blue card. We won't be able to go to work. We will get a Palestinian identity card and we will need permission to enter Jerusalem. With citizenship, it will be easy to come and go."

Ali wants to apply now. In a month or two the PA will take over administrative control of his village. He says he and his brother will move back to live with their family in Silwan while his application is being processed.

It will also make life easier for Ali in the city. "Sometimes I have to deliver newspapers and documents to schools and they won't let me in for security reasons. With citizenship, it won't be a problem."

While Ali will go ahead with his application, the religious prohibition and stigma that go with it made his uncle, Salah, drop the idea for good. "I'm secular, so the religious law doesn't bother me. But my family and my wife don't want me to," says Salah, a 33-year-old father of two.

"I also thought it would be good for the children. But then we are afraid of the Palestinian Authority."

RAFI Sutton, a former member of the Israeli intelligence community who worked in eastern Jerusalem, likens taking Israeli citizenship to taking out an insurance policy.

"If the situation changes in Jerusalem these people want to be on the safe side. Everything else, about added rights, are just stories. People who have little connec-

tion with the West Bank or work with Jews are more likely to consider citizenship. So too are Christian Arabs, who are concerned about the future under the Moslem-dominated Palestinian Authority.

GEORGE, a Christian Arab, has been working with Jews as a computer systems operator at the same firm since 1969.

"I didn't become an Israeli citizen because [of a] hate [for] the Palestinians," George says, "but I decided it is better to live here in Israel."

George says part of the reason he took citizenship was for his children - so that they would be able to live and work in Israel, if they choose. His oldest son is 20 and looking for work.

"If your name is David or George it's hard to find work in a [place with a] Moslem majority. It's a natural thing and true among Jews as well. But with a Jew you can argue and he understands you better."

George lives with his family south of Jerusalem in Beit Jalla, which has recently come under PA control. He says there hasn't been any noticeable difference in day to day life, but he isn't sure if things will remain that way.

"I want to distance myself from this whole autonomy business. I don't believe in it. I don't think there is going to be a real peace," he says.

George recalls what an Israeli Arab friend told him about Palestinian independence: "I support the establishment of a Palestinian state but I'm not willing to live there."

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# Israel held to a 'higher standard'

EYE ON THE MEDIA  
MICHAEL GOLDBLATT and DAVID BAR-ILLAN

WHEN challenged to explain why a story about the killing of an Arab by an Israeli Jew commands far more media attention than news of Arabs killing Jews, journalists usually say that they hold Israel to a higher standard.

It may be flattering that stories of Jewish killers are placed in the "man bite dog" category, while murder by Arabs is taken in stride. (Although there is an undercurrent of anti-Arab racism in such a distinction.) But a study of a terrorist incident in Jerusalem last month raises suspicions that the "higher standard" is merely a variation of the more familiar double standard.

The initial story — "Jews killed an innocent Arab" — became a sensation throughout the world. When the Arab turned out not to be an innocent victim but a terrorist who had deliberately killed a Jewish woman, the story virtually disappeared.

The incident took place a day after the first Jerusalem bus bombing. A driver plowed his car into a crowd at the French Hill bus stop in Jerusalem, killing a woman and wounding 22 others. On exiting the car, the driver was shot dead by two armed civilians who had assumed he was a terrorist.

At first, the police announced it was a terrorist incident. Later they changed their minds, calling it an accident which ended with the shooting of the driver.

It was only on the next day, after *Ha'aretz* reporters revealed that the driver, a Moslem fanatic with an American passport, had praised the suicide bus bombing and told friends he would be "seen on TV by evening," that the police reverted to the original conclusion. Findings at the scene supported this conclusion: The car was found to be in perfect order, and the testimonies of witnesses all agreed that the driver deliberately veered into the crowd and that he came out of the car yelling "Allahu akbar."

The treatment of the stories was illuminating.

The London *Times* splashed the story across the whole Overseas News page. An overline read "Peres blamed for bloodshed as paranoia over suicide attacks grips Jerusalem." The story headline was "Driver dies after fearful Jews fire on skidding car."

The American press treated the incident similarly. Dr. Michael Goldblatt, National Vice President of the Zionist Organization of America, made a study of the press coverage. The following is from his report:

"Most American newspapers gave prominent coverage to the initial story, portraying Israelis as trigger-happy killers, and the Arab as an innocent victim of violent Israeli recklessness. Of 15 major US daily newspapers surveyed by the ZOA, eight put the story on their front pages, and two others placed it within the first three pages.

"But consider how those same 15 newspapers treated the next day's revelation that the incident was a case of Arab terrorism rather than Israeli hysteria: only two put it on the front page, and only two others printed it within the first three pages; nine placed the follow-up story further back, and two failed to print it at all.

"Some American reporters in Jerusalem had plenty to say when the killing could be blamed on Israelis, but seemed tongue-tied when the Arab turned out to be a terrorist.

"The discrepancy was particularly glaring in the *Baltimore Sun*, which featured the initial story on page one, under the headline "Angry Mood Besets Israel," with the subheadline: "Arab American Driver Mistaken for Assassin, Killed After Fatal Crash."

"The *Sun's* correspondent in Israel, Doug Struck, blamed the shooting on jittery Israeli civilians and cited the incident as proof of the 'mood of anger and pessimism [that] settled over Israel' after the terrorist attacks in Jerusalem and Ashkelon.

"Struck authored another front-page story the next day — but for some reason, he chose not to mention the news that the car crash

was terrorism. That fact was confined to the last four paragraphs of a long Associated Press article way back on page 12 of the *Sun*.

"Similarly, the *Boston Globe's* correspondent in Israel, Lisa Talesnick, authored a long story about how 'Fear Spurs a Killing in Israel.' But Talesnick was nowhere to be found when it came to the follow-up story; for that, the *Globe* went to the Reuters news agency, which provided an 18-paragraph story, of which only the last four paragraphs referred to the car crash attack. "Philadelphia Inquirer" correspondent Alan Sipress wrote a 22-paragraph story about the first day's news ("Arab Driver's Death a Sign of Tensions," the headline blared). The Associated Press authored the second, brief report in the next day's *Inquirer*.

"The *New York Post* was equally lopsided in its coverage of the two stories. The car crash was the main front-page story, under a banner headline, "Israel On Edge: Bomb-Weary Israelis Kill Arab-American Driver After Accident," accompanied by a large photograph of the Arab "victim."

"The continuation of the story bore the headline "Crowd Slays Arab-American," as if the Arab was lynched by an Israeli mob. The next day's story, however, was allotted just three paragraphs

in a long article on page seven about another subject.

"Likewise, *USA Today* made the first story page-one news (under the headline "Arab-American Shot to Death in Israel"), but buried the next day's story in five paragraphs in a different story on page six.

"A number of newspapers ran photographs of the dead Arab driver, but seemed to run out of film when it turned out that he was a terrorist. The *New York Times*, *New York Post*, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* and *Rockland (NY) Journal-News* published photos of the dead Arab terrorist on the first day — but no photo about the story on the second day.

And the London *Times's* its readers had to peruse the next day's paper carefully to find the follow-up story, which constituted the sum total of the reporting on the incident: "The future of the peace process hung in the balance yesterday as Israel's army Chief of Staff said more Islamic suicide bombs were expected and police said that a car accident [sic] on Monday in which one Israeli was killed and 23 were hurt was an Arab terrorist attack."

"The right-wing Jerusalem Post" Quoting *The Jerusalem Post*.

most media refer to the paper without adding politically descriptive adjectives. But some call it "the right-wing Jerusalem Post."

There is nothing wrong with describing the *Post* editorials as right-wing, although "hawkish," "conservative" or "anti-Oslo agreement" would be more precise.

What is less acceptable is that leftist papers are never called "left-wing," but "independent" or "liberal."

It is this kind of thinking which obviously animated Teddy Kollek when last Friday he wrote "the right-wing opinions [in *The Jerusalem Post*] that replaced the more moderate and liberal ones deprived readers... of an accurate perspective of Israel... I am happy to read in the *Post* from time to time columns by people such as Abba Eban and Professor Shlomo Avineri, who do not toe the line, but on the whole these articles are a drop in the bucket."

Not being a journalist or a professional researcher, Kollek may be forgiven for letting his impressions dictate unfounded statements. But to say that the *Post* features only occasional articles by writers on the left of the political spectrum is, to be charitable, a distortion.

In the month preceding the filing of his article, that is from February 18 to March 18, 26 opin-

ion articles by writers on the left appeared in the *Post*. These included Abba Eban, Susan Hattis Rolef, David Forman, Mark Heller, Larry Derfner, Allan Shapiro, Daoud Kuttab, A.B. Yehoshua, Chaim Herzog, Alouph Hareven, Misha Louvish, Gaby Sheffer and others.

This was the month, it should be noted, in which six terrorist attacks killed 62 men, women and children and wounded hundreds. It is not a time a "right-wing" paper would normally seek to balance its opinion pages by giving equal time to doves.

It is precisely because the *Post* wishes its readers not to be deprived of an "accurate perspective of Israel" that it balances its opinion articles so carefully.

Such balance is in direct contrast with the "liberal" *Ha'aretz*, which, like the old *Jerusalem Post* Kollek so sorely misses, lets "right-wing" opinions appear on average once a week, as a fig leaf.

It may be a painful thought for those who believe they have a monopoly on righteousness, justice and political sanity, but the fact is that at least half of all Israelis consider themselves right of center. And if any newspapers deprive their readership of an "accurate Israeli perspective" it is those which relegate rightist writers to a tokenist corner.

## If Moses had taken a poll

A VIEW FROM NOV  
MOSHE KOHN

RIGHT FROM the beginning of Jewish national history, the Jews have been a recalcitrant and — for both good and bad — stubborn people. We see this in such epithets as "stiff-necked" (Exodus 32:9 etc.) and "crooked and perverse...wicked and unwise" (Deuteronomy 32:5-6).

The Talmudic Sages see our stuffneckedness as sometimes being a positive trait and a major factor in our survival as a people bearing the One-God's message of a world and a life of law and purpose (*Beitza* 25b; *Shmot* *Rabba* 42:9).

The Torah provides the foundation for these epithets in, *inter alia*, its account of the Exodus and the 40-year sojourn in the wilderness. The Sages strengthen this foundation in their elaboration of that account.

All told, it is clear that if Moses had conducted a public-opinion poll or a referendum before undertaking the mission of leading us out of Egypt to the Promised Land, we would — as the Haggada tells us — still be slaves in Egypt.

When Moses and Aaron first approach Pharaoh with God's message to "Let My people go so they may celebrate before Me" (Exodus 5:1), the Egyptian despot responds by increasing his Jewish slaves' work load. The people then call down God's judgment on the two for giving Pharaoh an excuse for worsening their lot.

Then there is the midrash on Exodus 13:18, where the Torah states that we left Egypt "hamushim." The plain meaning of this word is that we left Egypt "armed" or "equipped" for the trials that might confront us in what was originally to be a relatively short trek through the wilderness. But *h-m-sh*, the root of *hamushim*, also gives us "five," and we read the following four-way discussion:

One Sage says it means that only one fifth of the Jews left with Moses. Another says, No — one fifteenth. A third says only one in 500 left. Rabbi Nehorai, the only dissenting named, has the last word:

"I swear by the Temple Service that not even one in 500 left." The first died during the three days of darkness [the ninth plague], when people were unable to see each other — all except the Jews

[Exodus 10:23].

A related midrash tells us that those who died were "scoundrels" who had Egyptian patrons, enjoyed wealth and high status, and had no desire to leave. God decided to punish them, but not publicly, so as not to give the Egyptians cause to gloat. He sent the plague of darkness, during which those scoundrels died and were buried by their brethren without the Egyptians seeing and rejoicing over our disgrace.

(*Yerushalmi Shabbat* 6:4; *Shmot* *Rabba* 14:1 and 20:19; *Pesikta* *d'Rav Kahana* 10; *Mechilla* *d'Rabbi Yishmael*, "Bo," 12, and "Petitza Beshallah.")

This frightening and still timely midrash may explain why, neither the Torah nor any Sage suggests that before leaving Egypt, Moses established a community council, an education bureau and an aliyah department for those not ready just then to come home.

Just a bit over a year after leaving Egypt, the year in which we were to enter the Promised Land, there is the episode of the 12 tribal leaders sent to scout out the Land.

Only two, Caleb and Joshua, say we can take the Land. The report of the other 10 is accurate in its facts, but their pessimistic tone consternates the people, who demand that Moses be replaced with a leader who will take us back to Egypt (Numbers 13-14).

Fortunately, that public-opinion poll did not determine the Jewish people's destiny. It resulted in our being kept in the wilderness 40 years, so the slave generation might die out and be succeeded by their freeborn children.

ment was applying "considerable" pressure on him, as compared with 8.8% for Labor and 6.3% for Likud.

More than 46% believed Arafat intends his "Palestine" to embrace all of Judea/Samaria/Gaza District, and more than 41% — including 11.4% of the Meretz voters — believed his ultimate aim is to embrace the area of Israel as well. The poll was sponsored by the Jerusalem-based IMRA/Independent Media Review & Analysis.

THE TANACH, especially in the books of Psalms and Job, tells us in many formulations that God's ways are beyond human ken and therefore beyond criticism by our standards.

For some reason beyond human ken, we mediocrits have sought to arrogate to ourselves this divine privilege of immunity to review and criticism.

Fortunately, there are some iconoclasts who have shown again and again that our erratic activity is not due to some divine mystery whose logic humanity will fathom in the Endtime, but rather usually reflects our arrogant self-image as successors to the biblical Prophets, combined with our desire to scandalize, and, of course, our bosses' desire to sell many more newspapers.

Among the leading media-idol smashers, along with the above-mentioned IMRA, is the Jerusalem-based Media Watch organization, which has shown the inaccuracy of our government-sponsored electronic media's pretension to giving balanced coverage and their hot denials that they usually favor government or pro-government spokesmen and positions.

In its latest monitoring operation, during February 18-22, Media Watch checked coverage by TV Channels 1 and 2 evening news magazines, *Mabat* and *Hadashot* respectively, of the Likud's slogan that "Shimon Peres will divide Jerusalem."

*Mabat* interviewed six government spokesmen, who occupied 58% of the time devoted to this issue, and four Likud spokesmen. *Hadashot* interviewed 12 government spokesmen, who took 70% of the time, and four Likud spokesmen.



## Freedom to change

SHABBAT SHALOM  
SHLOMO RISKIN

THIS begins what is probably the most famous question in Jewish tradition — the first of the proverbial four questions. Let me add four more.

First, if Pessah is our festival of freedom, what is "free" about the way we celebrate? For example, in the US, the Fourth of July is celebrated with fireworks, picnics, barbecues and parades. Contrast this with Pessah, when foods which are kosher all year become forbidden if they contain even the smallest amount of leavening. Just getting ready for this night of "freedom" requires such stringent preparations that it turns into a mad race to finish everything in time. What's so free about turning your house upside down?

In this connection, it must be noted that the word seder means "order." Even before we start the meal, the Haggada lists the 15 rabbinically-ordained divisions of the night's procedures. From the recitation of Kiddush to the last songs in the Haggada, the Seder service can often take several hours, with precise laws relating to when and how much wine is to be drunk, when to wash hands, when and how much matza is to be consumed. What's more, even the length of the meal is regulated. The afikomen — the piece of matza that represents the paschal lamb — must be eaten before midnight. This is freedom?

Second, when it comes to choos-

ing a text for the retelling of the Egyptian enslavement and subsequent freedom, why don't we read one of the many passages in Exodus which deal with the experience? Instead, we are commanded to skip to a passage that farmers recited when they brought their first fruit offering to the Temple: "My ancestor was a wandering Aramean..." (Deut. 26:5)

Isn't it odd that at the beginning of the Haggada, we introduce the subject of the first-fruit offering, more resonant of Shavuot, the festival related to the giving of the Torah, than of Pessah, our Festival of Freedom?

Next: Starting on the second night of Pessah we're commanded to begin counting each day for seven weeks — the cycle which concludes with the Shavuot grain offering. What's the relationship between our longed-for freedom and the counting of days?

The last of our four questions: the Haggada presents us with a prototypical family, including a wicked child. Why is it that specifically on Pessah we engage even the wicked child, and invite him to share our sacred meal?

Questions about freedom cannot be understood without first considering its flip side: slavery.

The Holy Zohar, our classic mystical text, connects the word Mitzrayim (Egypt) to metzarim, narrow straits. Thus what we cele-

brate and remember is not merely an escape from Egypt, but also an escape from the narrow straits of existence under the yoke of the evil instinct, which prevents us from realizing our true human potential.

On this night, ancient historical experiences merge with the personal life of each Jew. Even though slavery has been outlawed in most of the world, we can become slaves in other ways: our bodies enslaved to food or drugs, our minds to TV, or to a way of looking at ourselves which cannot get over events that took place 10, 20 or 40 years ago. If someone constantly dwells on childhood traumas and perceived injustices, then his mind is enslaved to the past.

FROM THIS perspective, freedom is not so much a gift as it is a challenge. Is it any wonder, then, that so many individuals, unable to accept the responsibilities inherent in free choice, choose to let others control their lives? Totalitarianism thrives not only because of fear, but because conforming to the will of a dictator reaps certain benefits: There are no decisions to make, no personal responsibilities to answer for.

The Seder teaches us that freedom is not merely a long vacation, the ability to sleep late after staying up half the night watching a dazzling display of fireworks. True freedom involves the assumption of obligations and responsibilities.

The Seder defines and expresses what God wants us to do in this world: to enable human beings to control their minds and appetites; for us as a nation to bring the world to ethical monotheism (the final songs of Hallel Hagadol). The Seder challenges each parent to convey this ideal to his or her children. We do it within our home, just as in biblical times, when every individual (not only priests) had to be involved in his own paschal sacrifice. Every individual must leave Egypt.

Responsibility requires planting, sowing, reaping and recognizing the Source of the bounty. When a farmer gives his first fruits to the Temple, he expresses responsibility and commitment — twin fruits of the biblical understanding of freedom.

Once we understand to what extent responsibility permeates freedom, then time — and our ability to use it effectively — assumes new meaning. We start counting the days because we have to make them count. Choices cease to overwhelm us and begin to challenge us. The preciousness of each day is the abiding lesson of the Pessah Seder.

Finally, freedom implies choice. The wicked child's inclusion at the Seder is a recognition that even though a child may reject everything we believe in, freedom dictates that we allow the freedom of choice, no matter how foolish or destructive that choice may appear in our eyes.

For, after all it is said and done, everyone is free to change!

Shabbat Shalom, and a Happy and Kosher Pessah

## FUNDS BEVERLEE BLACK

WHILE we all welcome the democratic process — the primaries, the elections on May 29 and the hope that campaign promises will be fulfilled — past experience shows that when it is all over, a great many of our fellow citizens will have fallen through the safety net and will still be in dire need.

That's where the voluntary organizations come in, helping the disabled, the blind and the mentally handicapped or, in our case, the elderly, children in need and new immigrants.

The parties that form the next government will still be faced with the problem of how to divide up the budget pie. But what happens so often in politics — that the strongest will grab all they can and a few crumbs are go to those most in need — can happen again.

As Pessah approaches, we appeal to all our friends and supporters to do something about

## Let's help take up the slack from the politicians

those who will be marking the festival, not with a joyful family Seder, but alone or in institutions and desiring a little extra.

And remember our Pessah Handicrafts Fair in Jerusalem on Monday, April 8, when we hope to raise funds for neighbors in need. Please send your donations to: The Jerusalem Post Funds, POB 81, Jerusalem 91000.

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DON'T MISS IT!

# Katz-Yanir lead Israelis in Monaco

BRIDGE  
MATTHEW GRANOVETTER

South dealer  
Both sides vulnerable

North (Yanir)  
 ♠ A Q J 5  
 ♥ Q 10 7  
 ♦ A 8 5 2  
 ♣ J 8

West  
 ♠ 10 8 7 2  
 ♥ 9 6 5 2  
 ♦ Q 10 7  
 ♣ K 5

East  
 ♠ 9 6 4 3  
 ♥ A 8 4  
 ♦ J 9 3  
 ♣ 10 3 2

South (Katz)  
 ♠ K  
 ♥ K J 3  
 ♦ K 6 4  
 ♣ A Q 9 7 6 4

South West North East  
 1 ♠ pass 1 ♠ pass  
 2 ♠ pass 3 ♠ pass  
 3 NT pass 4 ♠ pass  
 4 NT pass 5 ♠ pass  
 6 ♠ (all pass)

Opening lead: ♠ 2

with her four-club call. At this point Katz, with no aces outside of clubs, bid four notrump. It wasn't clear whether he meant this as ace asking or as an attempt to play four notrump, but Yanir responded five hearts to show her two aces and Katz bid the slam in clubs.

THE REALLY big error in the auction, however, was on East's part. He failed to take advantage of the five-heart call on his right. He could have doubled this bid to let his partner know he held strength in hearts. As you can see, a heart opening lead would defeat the small slam, because East takes his ace and West must come to a trump trick.

But when East failed to double five hearts, West, Sandra Penfold of England, assumed that he preferred another suit. She led a spade and now the ball was in Katz's court.

He won the king of spades, led a diamond to the ace and played three top spades, discarding three hearts from his hand. Next he led the queen of hearts from dummy, East-covered with the ace and Katz ruffed, setting up dummy's ten. But how would he reach dummy to cash that ten?

One idea was to lead a low club toward the jack and hope that West had started with the king of clubs. If West ducked the club lead without hesitation, declarer could change his plan and put in the eight of clubs in an attempt to finesse West for the ten. In practice, however, West would probably have won her king of clubs and the jack would be the useful entry to the heart ten.

Nevertheless, Katz decided to lead the queen of clubs instead of a low one. His experience told him that most defenders would not be able to resist winning the king of trumps and this was the case. West captured the queen with her king, but now the jack was the entry to dummy.

Had Penfold ducked the queen of clubs, she admitted afterward, she would have defeated Katz in his slam. The ace of clubs would take the next trick, capturing the king, but East's ten of clubs would now be high and eventually the defense would come to a diamond trick.



A vast array of lovely tulips are in bloom this time of the year. (Lisa Pleskova)

## Tiptoe through the tulips

NATURE  
D'VORA BEN SHAUL

RIGHT now there is such a proliferation of wildflowers in almost every locality that one cannot even begin to encompass them in a short article; indeed it would take a whole botanical book. Fortunately for our English readers there is a handy spiral bound book that shows 300 Israeli wildflowers, each with a color photograph, and it gives not only a brief description including where to find a particular flower but it lists the English, Hebrew and Latin name in every case. It's 300 Israeli Wildflowers by Azaria Alon and it's available in English or Hebrew. It is highly recommended for anyone who wants to know more about wildflowers.

Despite the abundance of flowers during these spring months, there are, even so, a few that deserve special mention. Now that the bright red anemones or wind flowers (*kalanit* in Hebrew) are disappearing they are being replaced by the only bright-red

tulip creates carpets of red blossoms in an arid place.

Less often seen, and certainly less well known, is the pink Mount Hermon tulip, a flower found only on the Hermon and in a few places in Lebanon. It is related to the tulips that grow in the Negev. Its petals are a strong pink, it is not as large as hill tulips or desert tulips and its leaves are straight rather than undulating, as are the leaves of the other species. In Latin it is called *Tulipa lownei*, in Hebrew *tsivonit beharim*.

These are just a few of the wildflower treasures to be seen from now to the end of April and, in the case of the Mount Hermon tulip, in May. They are worth looking for and a pleasure to view. All are strictly protected.

But these few outstanding species barely touch the wealth of wildflowers to be enjoyed at this season and it's a pleasure that anyone with a wildflower guide book and a few hours to spend can enjoy to the fullest.

So now is the time: pack a picnic, take a guide book and let the whole family enjoy what is probably the most exquisite season of the year no matter where in Israel you happen to live.

# Dutch treat

CHESS  
NICK KOPALOFF

THE Hoogevens annual chess festival at Wijk aan Zee is one of Europe's largest chess tournaments. This year more than 1,500 players converged on the small seaside resort near Amsterdam, to take part in the two grand-master events, the reserve master group or, for the eager amateurs, the scores of round-robins. The tournament has been sponsored by the Dutch steel and aluminum company Hoogovens for 58 years.

Pea soup and black bread are served at the closing banquet. This dates back to the end of World War II when the open banquet's pea soup brought local residents welcome relief from the prevalent food shortages. The tradition has been honored ever since.

Though Alexei Shirov and Boris Gelfand finished well down the table in the top Category 17 tournament, they produced one of the most exciting games.

Shirov, Alexei - Gelfand, Boris  
Wijk aan Zee 1996  
Sicilian Defense, Najdorf Variation

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e6 7.g4 e5. Despite losing a tempo by moving the e pawn on two successive moves, this is still considered the most aggressive line of play as it virtually forces White to sacrifice material.

8.Nf5 g6 9.g5 gxf5 10.exf5! Few club players would have hesitated to recapture the piece. But if Black now retreats the knight to d7, White can unleash a multitude of nasty threats after 11.Qh5

10...d5 11.gxf6 d4 12.Be4! Qx6 13.Nd5 Qe6 14.Bxd4! Bb4+! Gelfand makes some breathing space for his cramped king. 14...exd4 is weak on account of 15.Qxd4 and 14...Qxc4 is no better because of 15.Nf6+ Ke7 16.Bxe5.

15.c3 Qxc4

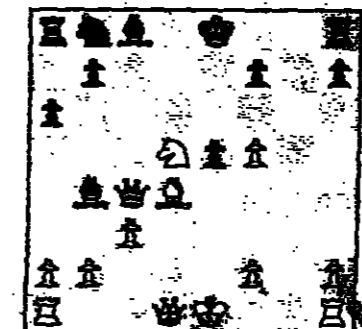


DIAGRAM 1  
after Black's 15th move

16.Be3! The best chess moves are not necessarily the most swashbuckling. Here Shirov elects for the quiet retreat, realizing that after 16.Nb6 Qxd4 17.Qxd4 exd4 18.cxb4 Bx5! 19.Nxa8 Nd7, Black has compen-

sation for the exchange. 16...Ba5 17.Nf6+ Ke7 18.Nd5+ Ke8 19.Nf6+ Ke7 20.Bg5! Bc7 21.Ne4+?! Qd5!! would have been the better choice.

21...Ke8 22.Qg4! b5 23.Nf6+ Ke7 24.Q-0-0?! Qxg4 25.Ng4+ Kf8 26.Bb6+ Ke7 27.Bg5+ Kf8 28.Bd8! Bxf5 29.Bxc7 Ne6? 30.Nh6!! Bg6 31.Rd6 Nb4! 32.cxb4 Kg7! 33.b4 Rbc8 34.h5! Rxc7+ 35.Kd2 Be4 36.Rg1+ Kh1 37.Ke3 Bb7 38.Rgd1 Re8 39.Ne5. Shirov was well aware that 39.Ng4 was the better move but as his opponent was in chronic time trouble, Shirov laid the trap.

39...Bc8? Rc4 might have led to a draw since 40.Rd8 would be answered by 40...Re4+, and 40.f3 by Rf4+.

40.Rd8 Bxf5 41.Rxe8+ Kg7 42.Rxe5 1-0

HERZLIYA'S Purim Chess Tournament in memory of the late IDF pilot Lt. Danny Glazer attracted 23 participants. Idan Levy and Niv Einhorn shared first place, scoring six points from their seven games.

The tournament was rounded off by Dov Zifroni's simultaneous display against 25 opponents. The international master won 23 and drew two. The event was directed by the youthful Shlomo Kandelstein.

THE solution to this week's problem was described by the British Chess magazine as "the most beautiful sacrifice in history." Playing the Black pieces against Levitsky, the great Frank Marshall dumbledombed the chess world with a breathtaking winning combination. Black to play and win.

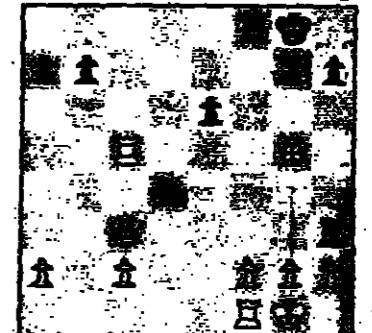


DIAGRAM 2

Solution: 1...Qg3!! Although threatening mate on h2, the queen is sent to what seems her most illogical square since she is offered up for capture. Black nonetheless succeeds in completely splitting open the White defense.

2.fxg3 2.hxg3 loses immediately to 2...Ne2+!, while 2.Qxg3 leaves White at least a piece in arrears after 2...Ne2+ 3.Kh1 Nxf3+ 2...Ne2+ 3.Kh1 Rxf1+!

### CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

ACROSS

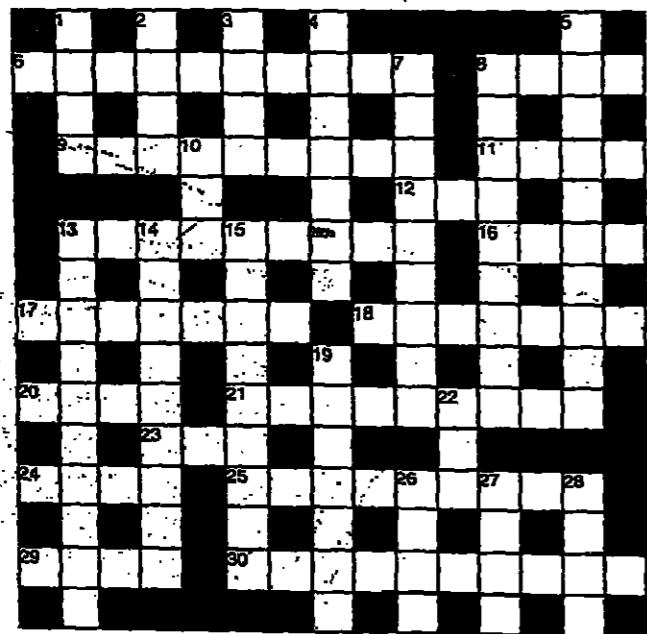
- 6 City men's car—the new model (10)
- 8 Iron about four or later (4)
- 9 The object of a fling at the pub? (9)
- 11 Port in the bottle (4)
- 12 Shelter where the French point (3)
- 13 Date some horological work (9)
- 16 Allude to the speaker's view (4)
- 17 One's restricted by a lack of favour (7)
- 18 Turkish furniture (7)
- 20 Alarm the female listener (4)
- 21 Creature getting a look-in about mid-January (3-6)

23 Letters for the queen taking a long time (3)

- 24 He built an earthwork of note (4)
- 25 Bedclothes (9)
- 29 Dash for the bar (4)
- 30 An opportunist with talking ways (5,5)

DOWN

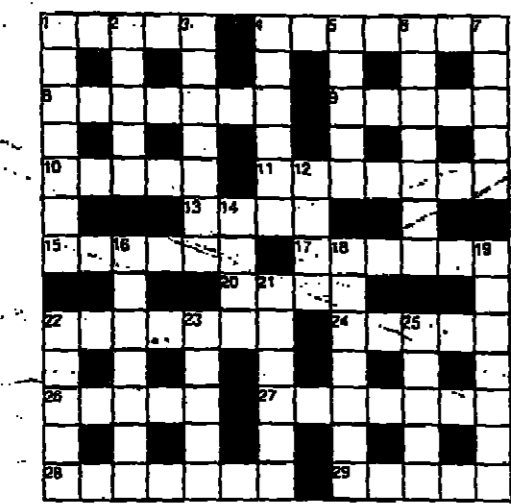
- 1 Having money in addition to real estate (4)
- 2 Cliff damage (4)
- 3 The man backing rail-transport could be sage (4)
- 4 There's a number in the next ship (7)
- 5 Work extra hard on account of the family (10)



### SOLUTIONS

COPPER EMPLOYED  
 T A B E I A R  
 NESTLE MILKWAY  
 5 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6  
 EAST TAPER NEGRO  
 A O D R N P U T  
 MARGINALISEAT  
 A T O P P R O  
 S D ACCELERATION  
 TRAP TRACT SCUT  
 E R N O W L A R  
 WELLDOWN KALAWI  
 E I L N V L K K  
 DIAMONDS BRANBLE

Yesterday's Quick Solution  
 ACROSS: 1 Pastor, 4 Weigh, 8 Obese, 9 Kingston, 10 Typical, 11 Axle, 12 Let, 14 Lena, 15 Rich, 18 Tea, 21 Apex, 25 Centure, 26 Sisal, 28 Frail, 29 Lithic, 28 Expert.  
 DOWN: 1 Pronto, 2 Steeple, 3 Overcast, 4 Wase, 5 Index, 6 Hammer, 7 Skill, 12 Transfix, 16 Courage, 17 Damsel, 19 Acidic, 20 Zealot, 23 Evidet, 24 Rama.



### QUICK CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
- 1 Wrench (5)
- 4 Homily (7)
- 8 Reigning (7)
- 9 Licit (5)
- 10 Frequently (5)
- 11 Oriental (7)
- 13 Consumes (4)
- 15 Ale-house (6)
- 17 Struggle (6)
- 20 Norse god (4)
- 22 Riches (7)
- 24 Aver (5)
- 26 Shun (5)
- 27 Fish-tanks (7)
- 28 Applauded (7)
- 29 Close-packed (5)

- DOWN
- 1 Series of exercises (4,3)
- 2 Rowing crew (5)
- 3 Coach (7)
- 4 Start (6)
- 5 Book of maps (5)
- 6 Entrance (7)
- 7 Synthetic fibre (5)
- 12 Sparkling wine (4)
- 14 Soon (4)
- 16 Wordy (7)
- 18 Defective (7)
- 19 Reign (7)
- 21 Claim (6)
- 22 French currency (5)
- 23 Beneath (5)
- 25 Protective wear (5)

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## Learn how to take care of plants - and enjoy the results

A reader recently wrote me the following letter, and it is worth devoting this column to the subject.

"I planted some trees in my yard when I moved in five years ago. They seem to be growing very slowly. I put in a lot of liquid fertilizer and the grass grew very nice and green and thick all around the trees, but the trees did not improve.

"Is the fertilizer getting down to the tree roots? Puddles of water are collecting in the grass around the trees when it rains or when I water the garden. Will this hurt the trees? Should I put some deep holes next to the trees and put fertilizer in there? What's wrong with my trees?" P.B.

Tree roots do not grow in a mirror image of the branches of the trees. They grow wide and shallow - if you have ever seen a tree which was blown over in a storm, you will recall this. In fact, some especially shallow-rooted trees may have most of their roots no deeper than 35 centimeters down. Watering and fertilizing deeper is a waste, and in fact may be harmful, causing the fertilizer to

### GARDENING INEZ KLIMIST

leach down into the groundwater supplies. If your trees are not growing, they are not using the available fertilizer anyway.

Fertilizer is not food or energy by itself, and doesn't cause growth. It supplies essential nutrients, so when a plant begins to produce new cells (growth), those cells can get the minerals they need for balanced growth.

Enough nutrients exist in most soils to support at least some growth. Fertilizer supplements the natural growth processes.

A plant will grow when it produces more energy than it needs to keep its existing leaves, branches and roots alive - much as people will begin to gain weight when they eat more food than they need to stay alive.

This is obviously more desirable in plants than in people. Plant-growth energy comes only from photosynthesis - the energy which comes from the production of sugars from a balance of sunlight, water and air.

Your plants may be struggling just to maintain life, because they

may lack sufficient roots. Perhaps they once had a balance of roots and leaves, but now may be hard-pressed to supply enough water for the manufacture of sugars for growth.

Death of root systems is caused by various ills. Too much watering in an area of insufficient runoff may prevent the roots from absorbing oxygen and literally drown the roots, just exactly the way you can kill a potted plant by overwatering.

Sometimes, nematodes, moles, insects, or a virus may attack roots of even an established plant and kill or stunt the roots so that the plant stops growing, turns yellow, stops blooming, or even dies entirely over time.

If you want a tree, or other plant, to put out more top growth, make the environment around the roots more conducive to healthy growth. Loosen the soil around the roots.

Don't get rid of the soil. Instead, enrich it with organic material, such as compost, which will improve not only the supply of nutrients, but also drainage and aeration. If you need better drainage, add sand and some gravel to the existing soil mix. In a worse case, you may want to dig out the tree, if it's not too large, and re-set it in a raised bed. Although digging it up may damage some of the roots, if it's done carefully the benefits will outdo the harm.

While the root system is struggling to re-establish itself, help the plant along by judicious pruning. Remember that if the roots have a smaller area to support, they have a better chance to revive. If you prune, you will soon be rewarded by new, healthier and more abundant growth.

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# Rome's piazzas: A slice of Italian life

CHRISTOPHER REYNOLDS

TWICE I'd been here. Each time, I came, saw, inspected the Sistine, assessed the Colosseum, entered and ogled the Pantheon and Forum. If it was winter, I bought roasted chestnuts and was reminded that the idea of roasted chestnuts far exceeds the reality.

If it was summer, I ordered Italian ice cream, the reality of which cannot be exceeded. Then it was back to the churches and landmarks.

But eventually, peering up at one more clock tower or squinting at yet another fresco, a stranger in Rome crosses a threshold.

Suddenly, the most important thing in the Eternal City is not to find where Julius Caesar was stabbed, or name the father of Romulus and Remus, but finding a place to sit still, to rest sore feet, to sip something, to read something, to eavesdrop, to disappear in the shade.

That's what piazzas are for, and Rome must hold more of them than any other city. The smallest of these city squares amount to little more than a confluence of streets, a few parking spaces, a nameplate on a wall, a child chasing a stray soccer ball. The greatest of them dominate a city that once dominated Europe. Yet on both of those previous visits, I passed time in only the most obvious of Rome's hundreds of piazzas.

Then the chance to visit Italy arose in June, and I set myself a goal: to search out and soak up a few choice and underappreciated piazzas - places where actual residents of Rome might be found pursuing daily routines, places less celebrated and less trampled than the Piazza Navona, the Piazza San Pietro and other leading tourist stops.

I would look for theaters of human behavior, for Romans

frowning at their newspapers, haggling over produce, casting furtive (and not so furtive) glances at the opposite sex, narrowly averting motor-scooter collisions, hanging out their wash, hollering at each other from second-story windows. I would permit these piazzas to handle a fair amount of tourist trade, but I hoped it would have more to do with tomatoes or antiques than with Iron Maiden souvenir towels, such as those I passed in the Piazza Navona.

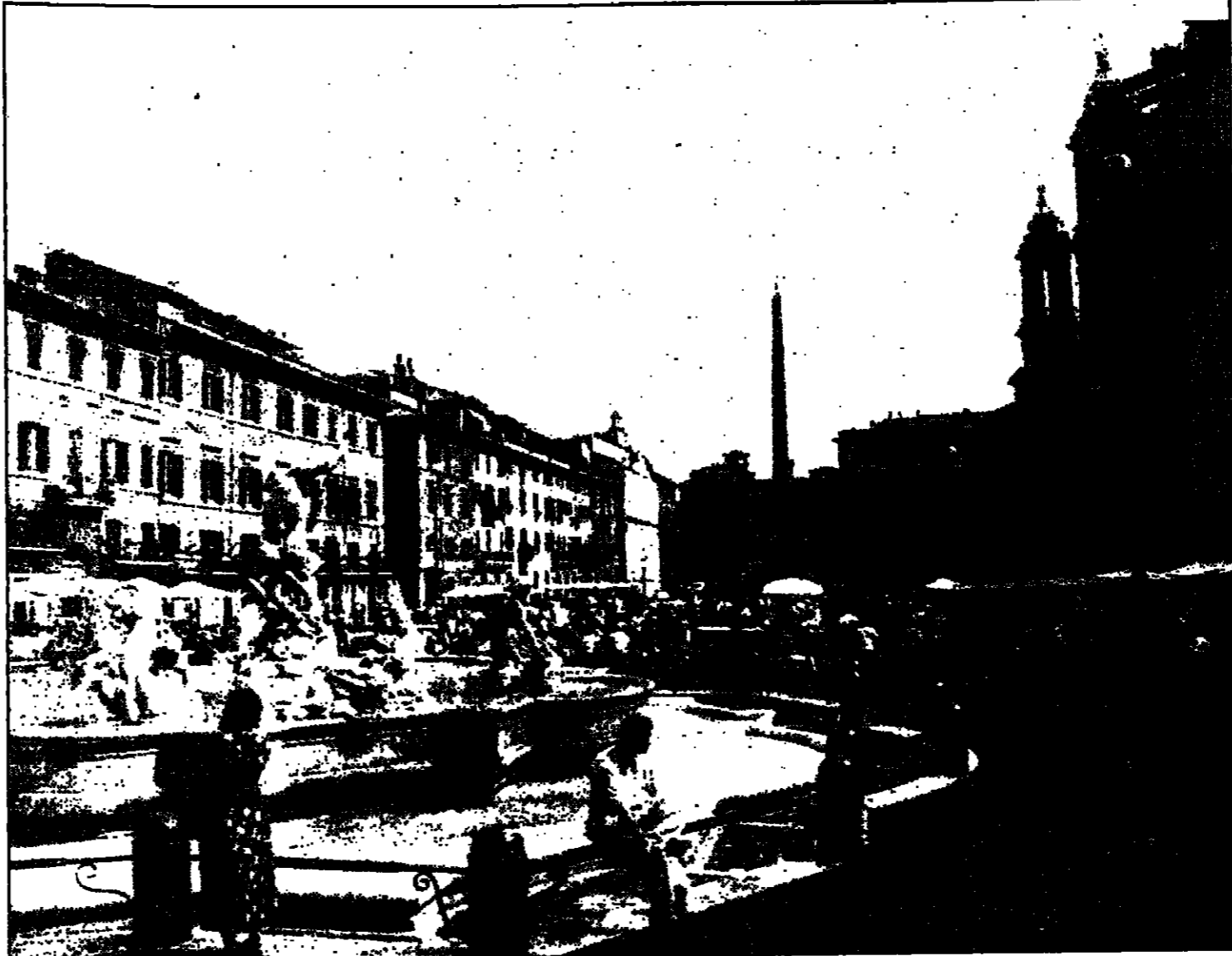
For my base of operations, I chose the Hotel di Teatro Pompeo, four long blocks south of the Piazza Navona (and built upon the ruins of the theater in which Julius Caesar was stabbed to death).

Around the corner lay the Campo de' Fiori, where I spent parts of every day I had in Rome. The rectangle is surrounded by restaurants and shops, and the scene teemed with local people fondling local products. Three flower stalls. One seller had arranged 12 kinds of olive oil.

Another stacked baskets of peppers, oregano, mushrooms, bananas, watermelon and asparagus. On market days they set up about 6 a.m. and start packing up at 1:15 p.m. By 2 p.m., the marketplace has vanished and the restaurants have doubled the size of their sidewalk dining areas.

The stores and restaurants included Ristorante Om Shanti, an affordable place for snacking at an outdoor table and watching the world go by; The Drunken Ship, a young people's bar with post-modern stainless steel furniture and an international clientele, and a high-end butcher and deli shop called Il Fiorentino, with old mosaics on its walls and yuppie customers elbow to elbow.

To reach the Piazza Borghese, you begin at the foot of the



Piazza Navona is one of Rome's many small city squares.

Spanish Steps, aim southwest and stroll the length of Via Condotti and continue as the street name changes to Via Fontanella Borghese.

There won't be much reward for you if you make this journey in the late afternoon or evening: You'll probably find a newsstand,

a bunch of parked cars and about 15 locked-up, dismal-looking gray metal stalls.

But if you arrive between about 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on any day but Sunday, those stalls will be open and bulging with rare books, old prints and antiques. Bronze busts, Century-old maps. Dusty old

leather-bound books.

A few shops surrounding the piazza display still more antiques and various other specialty items.

Piazza Santa Maria in Trastevere (which translates as "across the Tiber") was one of the city's poorest slums in the 19th century, and even now a wrong

turn can leave you in a marginal neighborhood. But in recent years, restaurants and bars have been breeding in the narrow streets, and here and there Trastevere can remind you of Paris's Left Bank, with lower rents.

There are still no hotels handy, but if you're near the Piazza

Navona or Campo de' Fiori, it's no great exertion to walk cross the Tiber on the all-pedestrian Sisto bridge (if you cross by night, pause halfway and look for the distant spotlighted dome of St. Peter's), make your way down narrow Vicolo dei Cinque, and turn left at the smallish Piazza di San Egidio.

If you do this by day, as I did on my first visit to the neighborhood, you pass many locked-up doors - bars and restaurants that will be opening later and filling with local and international students, twenty-somethings and others. (Rome's only English-language movie theater is also in the neighborhood.) But even in the slow hours, the alleys will probably be full of naughty children, flying soccer balls, laundry flapping in the breeze, and bent old ladies sitting along the sidewalk in splintered old chairs. At the center of all this lies the Piazza Santa Maria in Trastevere.

On one side, dominating the piazza, stands the church of Santa Maria in Trastevere, fronted by sturdy columns, topped by a startling mosaic of a dozen figures against a field of gold.

Art historians say the mosaic, seven or eight centuries old, is a rare surviving example of what many medieval churches looked like before architectural fashions changed. Inside, there is more striking mosaic work, and even more gold.

Around the piazza's periphery stand two restaurants and the more casual Caffe di Marzio, where I spent an hour of my daytime visit nursing an orange juice and people-watching.

When I came back on a Saturday night, the cafe and restaurants were packed, and the whole piazza was vibrant with the sound of strolling guitarists, the cascading fountain and the din from the bars and restaurants down the street.

(Los Angeles Times)



Prof. Roberto Nardi tells a member of his team how to restore this bathhouse fresco. (David Greussman)

## Bathhouse restoration: Masada's new attraction

SEE IT HERE  
HAIM SHAPIRO

NATIONAL sites used to be closed to the public while they were being restored, but these days the restoration work itself has become part of the attraction.

That's the case with the bathhouse on Masada - one of the most popular places at the country's most popular tourist site.

"We want the public and especially the tour guides to understand what we are doing and why we are doing it," says Professor Roberto Nardi, director of the Centro di Conservazione Archeologica (CCA), the Rome-based company contracted by the National Parks Authority to carry out conservation and restoration work at Masada with the Negev Tourism Administration.

According to National Parks Authority spokesman Ofer Grinstein, Masada receives about 2 million visitors a year. And Nardi says that about 3,000 people come to see the ancient bathhouse, originally built by Herod for his guests, every day. From now through June, they will also see the restorers at work.

During Pessah, thousands of tourists are expected to visit the site. When they enter the courtyard of the bathhouse, the first thing they are likely to notice is a giant poster, a photograph of a Canadian forest at sunset, bearing the notice, "Just discovered." The poster is, of course, a joke.

"We chose it because it is the thing most removed from the cul-

tural context of the place that we could think of. We want people to enter with smiles on their faces," Nardi says.

The poster also serves to cover the metal wall of the on-site headquarters of Nardi and his international team of 10 experts. The team includes members from Spain, France and Turkey, as well as Italy. Nardi has also included four Israeli employees at Masada, who will remain and ensure that the building is properly maintained.

Nardi has some experience in Israel. Two years ago he was called in to restore the massive Nile mosaic at Sepphoris. That was the first time, he says, that an on-site restoration was conducted without removing the tiles and using traditional materials to replace the foundation.

IN THE bathhouse at Masada, this same technique is being used for the simple geometric mosaic in the courtyard. A thin layer of cheese-cloth has been glued to the tiles, keeping them in place. Nardi says he would be happy to see Israelis use his techniques to restore other buildings on Masada.

Visitors can see the techniques used by the restorers. Through a perspex window, they can watch Romana Albini of Rome painstakingly restore a fresco on the bathhouse wall. In the next room, they can see Vincenzo Orru, also from

Rome, Jelal Kucuc of Istanbul and Emmanuel Caillie of Paris all working on the inner walls.

Pointing to Kucuc, who is using a large syringe to insert mortar between the building stones, Nardi says the mortar is similar to that used in the original construction.

"We want to restore the structure as it was, not build a new, stronger building," he says. He adds that concrete was used in reconstruction work carried out 30 years ago, following the massive excavations on Masada. Over the years, it was found that the concrete had a deleterious effect.

Nardi says he uses low-tech procedures in the restoration, combined with high tech in planning and compiling information. The dust at Masada precludes the use of computers on-site, but they are utilized to draw up work schedules and to record thousands of work-in-progress details and photos.

Two on-site archeologists are producing a large-scale (1:20) drawing of the building, including every single stone and every trace of work on the stones. The drawings will serve as historic documents to be used in the future, Nardi says.

In the work on the building, the restorers take care not to take any drastic steps that cannot be undone. Nardi says he is guided by the realization that the techniques of today may be viewed as mistakes tomorrow.

"Never do anything you can't undo," he says.

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private home. Paula Gris of Bed and Breakfast Atlanta says that she has accommodations to suit every taste and budget. For information, tel. 001-404-875-0525; or fax 001-404-875-9672.

THESE DAYS Walt Disney World is not just a matter of having fun. Visitors of 10 and up now have the option of attending the Disney Institute, with courses in culinary arts, animation, or lifestyle, along with some of the

more traditional Disney-type entertainment. A three-night family package at the institute sold by ARI Travel Wholesalers starts at \$516 each for two adults and \$212 each for two children.

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# Beauty kings vie for success, travel and world peace

THE WEEK THAT WAS  
MICHAL YUDELMAN

THE last nights of primaries - Labor on Monday, the Likud, Tuesday - reminded many people of beauty-pageant parades rather than political events. *Yediot Aharonot's* columnist Nahum Barnea called the candidates "the beauty kings."

The events looked so similar it raised questions of how voters were supposed to spot the differences. Both teams paraded in halls awash in blue-and-white posters and peace slogans. The same improvised TV studios ran the same broadcast marathons through the night.

The candidates, from ministerial down to nonentity level, were interviewed nonstop and analyzed by the same babbling pundits. Viewers were left bleary-eyed by miles of "home movie" footage - video clips of the contenders' private lives, childhood years and families.

Any elements of surprise, which should have provided the climax to each pageant, in each case came too late. It was already morning before the dark horses who surged to the front of the field became visible near the finishing line - Uzi Baram in Labor and Yitzhak Mordechai in the Likud.



The unusually stormy weather that swept through the country this week was an apt backdrop for the whirlwind primary elections. (Brian Handler)

### CYBER-FLOP

THE high-tech computer system was billed by the Likud as the star of its primaries. But then, like *Apollo 13* in the week's competing Oscar extravaganza, it failed to deliver. All day Likud leader Binjamin Netanyahu extolled the "new era" heralded by his party, and how "the methods of tomorrow" would sweep aside the pens and paper of yesterday's men.

The Likud's primary results were supposed to zoom off the voting superhighway at midnight, just two hours after poll closing.

Bibi revealed that even his mother had been excited by the wonders of high tech and taken to the computer, thanks to the influence of the Likud's 21st-century voting system. In a lightning visit to Jordan the same day for discussions with

Crown Prince Hassan, Bibi did not forget to slip in a mention of the Likud's futuristic vision.

Alas, those waiting up for the magic download were still waiting at 1 a.m. Bibi, politicians, and pundits had to continue basing their comments on those rickety old TV polls of the bygone era.

As with Labor, the preliminary results came in the next morning, showing up glaring inaccuracies in the polls, and rendering reams of premature newspaper analyses irrelevant by the time they landed on readers' doorsteps.

The silicon brains of Deep Blue recently rattled Garry Kasparov over the chessboard, yet here was its cousin failing to count a few Likud voters in time?

Of, course it had to be the fault of those two old Israeli scapegoats of yes-

teryar - the rain and Bezeq. But the accusation that soggy Bezeq lines ate the data transmissions to the great nerve center didn't hold water, as it later transpired that Bezeq's lines had worked perfectly. The delay was caused by the Likud's administrative chaos.

So whose vision of the new Middle East era is Deep Blue backing?

**OOPS! WRONG IMMIGRANT LABORITES** were ecstatic over an unexpected breakthrough - the first Ethiopian Knesset candidate, Adisu Massala, vaulted over two rivals for a new-immigrant slot to land on number 29 in the list.

This slot had been reserved for a representative of new immigrants in the hope of minimizing any flow of votes to

Natan Sharansky's "Russian" party.

It slowly dawned on party leaders that while Massala was due all credit for his achievement, it was going to be difficult to pass him off as Labor's Russian - whatever angle they photographed him. Embarrassing, what Americans call ...

"a situation." Party tacticians put their heads together and came up with an adjustment. Take one other new immigrant - Ronen Flout, number 46 - and upgrade him to a realistic slot.

**MY KINGDOM FOR A MOROCCAN** IF Labor planners thought the ethnic issue could be buried in the past, they were wrong.

The pundits soon pointed out another embarrassing hole in the ethnic field -

not enough candidates of Sephardi origin in the first 10 places.

Not only not enough Sephardim said the nudniks, but where are bona-fide Moroccans, and don't cite Fuad Ben-Eliezer (Iraq) and Nissim Zvilli (Tunisia)?

It was a case of pass the headache pills as the media went on about the Likud ticket's David Levy and David Magen, compared to Labor's Shimon Shetreet and Eli Dayan, who might not even make it to a winnable Knesset place.

So began a desperate search for the token Moroccan. Prof. Shlomo Ben-Ami, who everyone agreed would make any Knesset faction proud, will forever be considered as having gotten in by virtue of being Moroccan.

The fact is, Labor's final list includes

19 MKs of Sephardi origin.

### THE CASUALTIES

THE morning after the party, as balloons and bravado quietly deflated, it was noticed that democracy's rampage had left some wounded warriors in the field. They were the ones who went to bed as Knesset members, and woke up not.

Some had spent their savings on the primaries and woke up unemployed. Others who gave their lives to the party as loyal MKs and ministers just couldn't make it with the voters any more. On the Likud side, there were the casualties of the Likud-Isomet-Gesher deal.

Both Likud and Labor leaders realized something must be done about the "injured" to prevent a rift in either party. Labor Party secretary general Zvili planned a round of talks with them. Bibi said they "would remain a part of us."

But in a few days it is doubtful whether they will be remembered. Winner takes it all, that's the name of the game in politics.

### WHEELERS AND DEALERS

WHILE public democracy ran riot in both camps, behind the scenes there were dark mutterings of dirty deals and horse-trading, and even allegations of bribery and corruption.

In Labor, plots against poll-darling Haim Ramon allegedly confined him to fifth slot and prevented him from finishing in first place or - more importantly - ahead of newcomer Ehud Barak.

In the Likud, the infamous deals made between rival camps pushed Benny Begin and Dan Meridor down from the top of the list, where the polls had predicted them to land. But all the deal-mongers could have taken lessons from David Levy and his people in the still-born Gesher, who concocted the "mother of all deals." This one worked to perfection, too, not partially like the Likud and Labor deals.

Anyone who wasn't part of this deal, like Aharon Abuhazzeira, was out. All those who were in on it got elected! These are the six lucky guys whom Levy will be taking with him into safe Knesset slots with the Likud.

## Arab woman social worker in line for Labor Knesset seat

GRAPEVINE  
GREER FAY CASHMAN

HER burning ambition, Nadia Hlou said a month ago at a reception hosted by the Knesset Committee on the Status of Women, was to be the first Arab woman MK. It looks as if the 37-year-old activist from Jaffa, with a master's degree in social work and a finger in many other pies, will have her wish come true. She earned slot No. 37 on the Labor Party candidate list.

AND FOR Taiba Mayor Rafik Haj Yihya, who also emerged from the Labor primaries as a potential MK, there is yet another reason to be merry. The Taiba soccer team is about to be accepted in the National League. These two accomplishments will do much to improve Taiba's image.

IT'S EXCUSABLE that the Betar Jerusalem soccer team plays at Teddy Stadium, but it's somehow insulting to former mayor Teddy Kollek's own political affiliation that the site was the main Jerusalem polling station for the Likud primaries. That was already hitting below the belt.

HE USED to look like a sultry cross between Boy George and the late Freddie Mercury; but as of last week, superstar Aviv Gefen looks anything but. His dark tresses have been subjected to the bottle, and Gefen is now a platinum blond. Meanwhile, Tovele is busy designing wed-

ding dresses from which Gefen's fiancée Ilana Berkovitch will make a final choice. Although the couple have said they will marry in the summer, a date has not been announced.

"IT'S VERY pleasant to be 96, and I recommend it to all of you," sprightly nonagenarian Leah Globe said last week at a birthday kiddush hosted by her daughter and son-in-law Rena and Emanuel Quint. Clear-minded, hawk-eyed, straight-backed and totally independent Globe, whose creative talents include writing and painting, is the only woman published by Soncino. With a new book coming out, she is the oldest writer currently being published by Aronson. Also a fine baker, she insisted on making her own birthday cake for which she used 38 eggs and an abstract floral landscape frosting.

ELECTION FEVER is not the only cause for excitement in the home of Foreign Minister Ehud Barak and his wife, Nava. No matter which party wins, the Baraks have a good reason for some new glad rags. Daughter Michal is planning a May wedding to law student Ziv Lautenberg.

FINANCE MINISTER Avraham Shohat was in a bind on the eve of the primaries. If he didn't sign an order for a price hike on eggs,



American actress Veronica Hamel brightens the day of Dana Mamsion, a victim of a recent Jerusalem bus bombing. (Avi Hayun)

he would have the poultry farmers against him. If he did sign the order, he would have all the housewives preparing for Pessah against him. But Shohat's heart was with the farmers, so he signed, and still managed to do well at the polls.

WHEN HE was living in Russia, his celebrity status was of the negative variety. But former refusenik Natan (Anatoly) Sharansky now

has a new celebrity status with the folks back home. Not only do they regard him in the light of local boy makes good, but according to Dimitri Prokofiev, Israel Radio's man in Moscow, Sharansky's Yisrael Ba'aliya party is perceived in some Russian media reports as the balancing act between Labor and Likud. As for the once suppressed and oppressed Sharansky, he was granted an hour-long interview on

Russian television and the print media are running page-long stories on him.

INCIDENTALLY, on the night of the Likud primaries, Sharansky and his wife Avital took time out for themselves and dined at Rungsit, Jerusalem's popular Japanese-Thai restaurant. Also eating Thai food that night was prizewinning broadcaster Sheila Zucker, who, due to intolerable

limitations placed on her by management, has just quit her program on Jerusalem's regional radio station. Zucker, who was dining with friends and colleagues, said she had so many other offers to consider that she had no time for regrets.

WHILE TELEVISION cameras on Monday focused on the Labor primaries, most of the big names in the entertainment industry were at Tira at Kibbutz Ga'ash where they attended the wedding of actor/filmmaker and television personality Yehuda Barkan, who came suitably attired for the occasion in black bow-tie, wing-collared white shirt, natty white jacket with black handkerchief in the breast pocket, and black trousers. Ilana Balisha, his bride and long-time companion, caused a minor sensation when her veil caught fire, but fortunately there was no serious damage. Barkan, who was recently hospitalized for heart trouble, is the star of the new stage production of *Zorba the Greek*. Announcing that this was his last time under the huppa, Barkan evoked memories of the late Richard Burton, who when he married Elizabeth Taylor the second time around declared that "there will be no more marriages." The statement was of course premature.

DEPUTY FOREIGN Minister Eli Dayan may have fared badly in the Labor primaries, but he proved that he knows his Labor history better than most. When

television madcap Merav Michaeli held an informal quiz session on Channel 1's *Popoliz*, Dayan, who was already aware of his poor placement at the polls, correctly answered more questions than anyone else.

AT LEAST two American stars of the big and small screen were in Israel this week. One was Oscar winner Holly Hunter (*The Piano*), who came for the local premiere of *Copycat*, and the other was Veronica Hamel, who is best known to local viewers for her performance in *Hill Street Blues*. Both were guests at the Tel Aviv Hilton, and Hamel made a special trip to Hadassah-University Hospital Jerusalem to visit patients who survived the suicide bomb attacks.

"YOU PRESENT me with more than language, you present me with a philosophy of life. *Zet gezunt!*" Israel Prize laureate Father Marcel Dubois said to fellow laureate Prof. Chone Shmeruk at a reception hosted by Hebrew University's Faculty of Humanities. Eight of this year's winners are Hebrew University professors, either emeritus or currently on staff. Dubois, who is being honored for his contribution to state and society, spoke on behalf of all of this year's honorees and said "I feel like a Jewish boy on his bar mitzva who has to thank his teachers and parents." Shmeruk is being honored for his contribution to the promotion and understanding of Yiddish.

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## Mizrahi profits drop on London-branch losses

UNITED Mizrahi Bank's profits plunged 16 percent in 1995, mainly as a result of large provisions for doubtful debts made in connection with irregularities uncovered in the credit portfolio of the London branch, Victor Medina, general manager of the bank, told a press conference yesterday.

The bank reported a net profit of NIS 86.6 million, compared with a net profit of NIS 103.1m. in 1994. Net return on equity fell to 6% from 7.7%.

Mizrahi workers demonstrated outside the press conference to express their objections to management's plans to fire more than 200 workers.

"The workers said their salaries are at the lower half of the banking sector's wages," Medina said. "I said: 'I don't know if this is true, but I assume you're right,'" and

asked how to push them to the top half? Isn't the solution to raise profits?"

Key factors which hindered earnings included a 167.2% increase in provisions for doubtful debts to NIS 195.2m. from NIS 74.3m. The bank made special provisions of NIS 80m. in connection with irregularities uncovered in the third quarter in the credit portfolio of the London branch.

"We put in a lot of time and effort into solving the problem," Medina said. "As soon as deviations from the bank's credit procedures were uncovered in August, I immediately sent a team to check the branch. We discovered violations of management regulations, concealment of facts, and

incorrect registration.

"Consequently, we took a number of immediate measures, including dismissal of the branch manager, his deputy, and the number three person. A regional director of the bank in Israel was appointed as branch manager. The branch has adopted stringent measures to correct these irregularities."

Medina said it is impossible to determine whether the bank will have to make additional provisions for doubtful debts in future, since collection of money due is a lengthy procedure.

The high provisions were also a result of provisions of NIS 19m. for the moshav sector.

Other factors included a 13.9% decline in income, to NIS 456.1m.

from NIS 530.1m., deriving primarily from the continuing effect of the reduction in capital market activity.

"It is true that the decrease in capital market activity has reduced Mizrahi's results," Medina said, "but we do not intend to reduce our share of the market. We plan to expand our income-yielding activities."

The decrease in earnings was partly offset by a 20.4% increase in profit from financing operations before provision for doubtful debts, to NIS 818.3m. from NIS 679.5m.

There was also a 0.6% drop in operating and other expenses, to NIS 824.6m. from NIS 829.9m.

The contribution of held companies increased 111.5% to NIS 97.1m. from NIS 45.9m. Bank Tefahot contributed NIS 79.8m., up from NIS 67.4m.

The growth was also attributed to foreign subsidiaries registering losses in 1994, contrasted with the profits generated in 1995.

United Mizrahi Bank & Trust Company (New York) reported a net profit of \$722,000, compared with a loss of \$4.72m. United Mizrahi Bank (Switzerland) earned a net profit of SF 75,000, compared with a net loss of SF 5.19m.

## Koor profits NIS 490m., up 20%

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A FIVE percent devaluation is necessary to help exporters improve earnings, Binyamin Gaon, general manager of the conglomerate Koor Industries, said yesterday.

He emphasized the low foreign currency rate is causing significant damage to exporters' profitability. According to Koor's calculations, a 1% devaluation will contribute \$10m. to Koor's annual earnings.

Koor reported a 20.5% rise in 1995 net profits, to NIS 490m. from NIS 407m. in 1994. Net return on equity was 24.5%. The company's board of directors decided to distribute annual dividends of

\$21m., equivalent to \$1.5 a share.

Net income for the fourth quarter increased to NIS 70m., from NIS 69m.

Commenting on the company's results Gaon said the company's core business performed extremely well. "The company's performance was outstanding, and the company's achievement of many milestones during the past year will help drive our growth and globalization plans in 1996 and in the years ahead," he said.

Koor's sales increased 15.3% to NIS 10.2 billion. Gaon emphasized exports increased to \$1.11 billion, up 19.5% in dollar terms.

### Zim profits down 45%

ZIM Israel Navigation Company 1995 net profits plunged 45% to \$14.8m. from \$26.7m. in 1994.

Management blamed the decline on fierce competition, which has forced down freight prices, a rise in fuel prices, a low foreign currency exchange rate, and strikes and other port disruptions.

Turnover increased more than 11% to \$1.44b. from \$1.29b. The rise was mainly due to a rise in the variety of lines which the company operates. Operating expenses increased to \$1.22b. from \$1.07b.

Fourth quarter net profits were up to \$6.1m. from \$3.8m., while turnover increased to \$368.6m. from \$325.9m. Galit Lipkis Beck

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### NEGLIGENT

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"The lack of such an initiative was a substantial flaw in the division head's functioning," the report stated. But, as with Gillon, the commission found that Y's resignation after the assassination was enough punishment and no further action was recommended against him.

According to the commission, Dept.-Cmdr. Ya'acov Shoval, the Yarkon District police chief, failed to react properly to the potential threat created by the build-up of a crowd at the northern City Hall parking lot, where Rabin was later shot.

The report noted the VIP Protection Unit failed to specifically instruct Shoval to clear the area, but added he still should have done so at his own initiative. Shoval, the only police officer to be issued a warning letter, should have a reprimand inserted in his personal file, the commission recommended.

L., head of the VIP Protection Unit, did attempt to improve the service conditions and increase manpower in the unit in reaction to the threat of attack on the prime minister and other government leaders.

However, L. failed to make the operational improvements in the unit made necessary by this new threat of attack and to convey to the bodyguards under his command the seriousness of this threat.

On the night of Rabin's death, L. did not give specific instructions to police about keeping the area where the prime minister was shot clear of unauthorized persons and did not properly monitor events at the scene, the commission found.

The commission recommended that L., who was temporarily transferred from his post after the assassination, be permanently

### SHAMGAR

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suspended from the position. It left open the possibility, however, that he be placed elsewhere in the GSS.

A., head of the VIP Protection Unit's Operations Branch, "should have raised the concern that the changed atmosphere [i.e. threat of attack by a Jewish assailant on the prime minister] necessitated a change in deployment."

"The commission accepts that the obligation to reevaluate the method [of VIP security] lay primarily with senior GSS officials. However, in the absence of such an initiative, the issue should have at least arisen in the framework of the unit directly responsible for the matter."

"In light of these findings, the commission recommends that A. not serve in a command capacity in the GSS and that lifting this restriction not be considered for four years."

The commission accepted the argument of S., the head of the VIP Protection Unit force at the rally, that GSS policy at the time did not require him to clear the parking lot where Rabin was shot.

The report also described S. as "young and inexperienced," noting that his superiors had put him in a position for which he was not ready. But it still held him responsible for some of the failures in protecting Rabin the night of the assassination.

In particular, it said, S. did not adequately tour the area in advance of the event and did not give clear instructions to the police officers whose help he needed on how to ensure the safety of Rabin and the other VIPs in attendance.

The commission recommended that S. not be allowed to hold a command position in the GSS for at least two years.

### SWEEP

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The IDF coordinated the operation with the Palestinians, so that the Palestinian Police did not try to interfere. Military sources said the IDF waited until the last moment to notify the Palestinians, in order to keep the raid a secret.

At one point, a few hundred students and youths, angry over the arrests, started pelting the Israeli-PLO security liaison office near Ramallah with stones. There were no reports of injuries. Hebron pullout date passes, Page 22

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TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET



ISRAELI stocks closed almost unchanged for the day and week as Maof Index options expired and traders expressed concern yesterday about an inflation report due in two weeks.

The Maof Index fell 0.08 percent to 205.1, while the Two-Sided Index eased 0.18% to 195.26. The Two-Sided Index slipped 0.36% for the week while the Maof eased 0.21%.

Enough investors had options on the Maof at 205 or 210, leaving them little incentive to push the index higher, said Mark Meiras, analyst at Pacific Mediterranean Securities in Herzliya.

Maybe also some people are chewing their nails over the next inflation report [for March], I've heard 1.3% bandied about, I don't think it will be that high," he added.

Consumer price inflation for both January and February was 0.9%.

The stock exchange will trade for only three days in each of the next two weeks because of Pessah.

The three most heavily weighted stocks on the Maof - Bezeq, Koor Industries Ltd., and Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. - fell, dragging down the index.

Bezeq fell 2%, while Teva eased 0.75%.

Across the Tel Aviv stock exchange, about NIS 79.2m. traded, about the average for the month. Three issues fell for every two that rose.

Looking at Koor subsidiaries, Maktshim fell 1.5%; Agan was unchanged; and Tadiran Ltd. eased 0.25%.

Among the banks, First Inter, national Bank of Israel was up 0.25% and Bank Hapoalim grew 0.5%.

Africa-Israel Investments saw its Series 0.1 shares up 0.25%.

The Clal group of holding companies rose; parent Clal Israel and Clal Industries added 1% each and Clal Electronics rose 0.25%.

Blue Square Properties and Investments Ltd., operator of Co-Op Supermarkets, tacked on 0.25%, while rival Supersol was unchanged.

Osem and Elite were unchanged.

Prices from 23:00 local time

FTSE rises on late news

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuters) - Late buying interest spurred by renewed bid talk helped leading shares reverse earlier losses to finish the day marginally higher.

Under pressure throughout the session, a flurry of activity in Cable & Wireless as bid talk bubbled to the surface, helped lift the market mood just ahead of the close.

The FTSE 100 finished up 0.2 points at 3,672.6, the day's best, after rebounding from 3,650.0 in early afternoon.

FRANKFURT - Germany's blue-chip DAX index ended trade barely above the crucial 2,500-point level as lower German bonds and a touch of vertigo after Wednesday's record highs forced a correction on the market.

Dow drops by over 200 points

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NEW YORK (AP) - The Dow Jones average of industrial stocks was 5606.65, down 20.23 points at 2 p.m. EST yesterday.

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# WJC finds WWII Jewish assets in Swiss banks

## Documents reveal unclaimed Jewish property

NEW YORK (Reuter) - The World Jewish Congress, which is involved in a dispute with Swiss banks over the unclaimed assets of Holocaust victims, said yesterday it had uncovered US intelligence files detailing millions of dollars held in Jewish accounts in one Swiss bank alone.

The WJC said it has turned over the previously classified documents from a US post-war probe of Nazi-confiscated funds called "Operation Safehaven" to Senate Banking Committee chairman Alfonse D'Amato, who has said he would hold hearings on the unclaimed assets issue.

A WJC spokesman said a preliminary study of the first six of an estimated 100,000 documents showed that in 1945 one Swiss bank, Societe General de

Surveillance S.A., had 182 mostly Jewish foreign accounts that would be worth \$29 million by today's standards.

The Swiss Bankers Association said last month that it had uncovered only 775 unclaimed accounts in all the Swiss banks from 1933 to 1945 with a present-day value of \$33 million.

The WJC, which had been negotiating with the banks on returning the assets to heirs and survivors, has called on the Swiss to allow outside auditors to verify the results of their investigation.

The WJC spokesman said D'Amato had written to lawyers for the Swiss Bankers Association asking them to submit proof of what happened to the claims in the Societe General de Surveillance S.A.

## New terminal opens at Ben-Gurion

### Tourism officials bemoan empty hotel rooms

AS officials at Ben-Gurion Airport prepare for record-breaking crowds by opening a new terminal, innkeepers are wringing their hands over the fact that they still have rooms available for Pessah, when they are usually all sold out.

According to the Airports Authority, about 140,000 passengers are due to pass through the Ben-

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Gurion Airport today. The passengers include Israelis going abroad for Pessah and foreign visitors arriving for the holiday and for Easter, which also falls next week.

To cope with the continuously increasing numbers, the authority has opened a new terminal, at the

site of the former Arkia terminal. The newly renovated terminal is to continue to serve domestic flights and will also serve as the outgoing terminal for a number of charter flights.

After checking in and receiving their boarding cards, the passengers are to go by shuttle bus to the outgoing passenger hall of the main terminal.

## Sarid: Radioactive waste is stored safely

ENVIRONMENT Minister Yossi Sarid has again rejected claims that radioactive waste stored at the Negev Nuclear Research Center (NRCN) is a danger to the population, the environment, or water reservoirs.

Sarid was responding to recent reports by Egypt and Saudi Arabia regarding a supposed leak from the reactor in Dimona. Sarid also received requests for

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clarification from ambassadors in Israel on behalf of their governments.

Sarid noted that the radioactive waste is handled as required, in accordance with strict safety regulations. Moreover, funding has been authorized to store radioactive waste by newer methods taking advantage of the best technology existing today, he said.

In a statement released yesterday, the Atomic Energy Commission backed up Sarid's claims.

"The waste matter of all types is securely stored in accordance with optimal international criteria. A geological cross-section of rock strata prevents any possibility

of contamination of the underground water in the area.

"The Ministry of Environment monitors the air, ground, and water of the region surrounding the NRCN. No radioactive contamination, which could potentially endanger the population, has been found," the statement read.

In addition, much of the material stored at the site "loses its radioactivity in a relatively short time (from a few days to a few months), before any damage is caused to the barrel" in which it is stored, according to the statement.

The NRCN is also significantly smaller and better maintained than the nuclear power stations at Chernobyl and Hajjira, the statement pointed out.

## Baby born on Yavne highway

A man successfully delivered his fifth child via cellular phone while he, his wife, and other four children were in a car under a Yavne highway bridge on Wednesday night. Magen David Adom workers gave the steel-nerved father instructions over the phone and then arrived to cut the umbilical cord and wrap the healthy baby girl in a sterile sheet.

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# Peace Watch: Hebron pullout, covenant change not linked

THE Oslo 2 Accords do not link the IDF's pullout from Hebron, which had been scheduled for yesterday, with the amending of the Palestinian Covenant, Peace Watch, an independent monitor of the peace process, said yesterday in a legal opinion.

The pullout has been postponed for an undefined period until the Palestinian Authority sufficiently tightens measures against terrorism. However, Peace Watch said Israel cannot justify delaying the pullout on grounds that the Palestine National Council has not amended the covenant, nor can the PLO justify delaying the amending of the covenant because the IDF did not pull out of Hebron yesterday as scheduled.

According to Peace Watch, the accords do not link the obligations, and the linkage is illogical chronologically since the PLO cannot be in violation of its obligation to change the covenant until May 7, two months after the inauguration of the elected Palestinian Council.

However, the organization

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added that the PLO cannot use the IDF's failure to withdraw as a legal basis for delaying the amending of the covenant, since the obligation to do so was set for two months after the convening of the council, whose date was not even set in the accords, while the pullout was to be six months after the signing of Oslo 2.

Peace Watch noted that had PA President Yasser Arafat called for the elections to be held in mid-January and inaugurated the council immediately thereafter, the deadline for amending the covenant would have been mid-March, before the scheduled withdrawal.

Meanwhile, the IDF stepped up its military presence in the town yesterday, residents said.

"We in Hebron feel sad because we were expecting the departure of Israeli occupation forces today and we see it is not happening," said Mayor Mustafa Natshe.

Members of the PNC Council yesterday called on Arafat to de-

clare March 28 a day of Palestinian identification with Hebron. After a meeting with Hebron notables, the council members issued a handbill attacking Israeli policy and stating that delaying the IDF withdrawal from the city was a dangerous step that exposed Israel's plot to go back on the Oslo accords and continue its settlement policy and land expropriation in the city.

National Religious Party leader Zevulun Hammer said yesterday an IDF withdrawal from Hebron would create a serious security threat. "The government is apparently relying on a short collective memory and underestimates the level of intelligence and comprehension of the Israeli public as [government] emissaries are racing to reopen the campaign preparing the ground and public opinion for a hasty IDF withdrawal from Hebron," Hammer said.

Hammer accused the government of not sticking to even the basic positions which it had itself determined as critical to the security of the State.



Five hundred Russian immigrant boys recite the 'Shema' during a bar mitzva ceremony yesterday for them and 500 girls celebrating their bat mitzva at the Western Wall. (Brian Hender)

## Ginsburgh's detention overturned

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SUPREME Court Justice Dalia Dorner yesterday overturned the administrative detention of Rabbi Yitzhak Ginsburgh, head of the Od Yosef Hai yeshiva in Nablus, saying he does not constitute a threat to the public.

Dorner said that nothing in the information presented to her could serve as a basis for holding Ginsburgh. Calling administrative detention a very serious step, Dorner said the government

should have used other legal remedies if it thought Ginsburgh posed a threat.

This was the first time that the court has overturned an administrative detention order because of insufficient grounds. In 1988, the court overturned an order on a technicality, saying that the term of the particular order -

against a Palestinian - went beyond what was lawful.

"I imagine that those in charge thought it over a number of times before detaining Ginsburgh, a known public figure," said Ginsburgh's lawyer, Naftali Wertzberger. "And if they still detained him, and the court ruled there was insufficient reason to do this, then it has to call into question the detention orders against those who the officials probably don't give as much thought to before locking up."

Ginsburgh was detained on March 7 for two months because he allegedly made extreme statements against Arabs after the recent suicide attacks in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and Ashkelon.

A Foreign Ministry statement circulated to Israeli consulates abroad explained the detention on March 12 by saying that Ginsburgh is a rabbinic authority with "a long record of incitement to violence, inflammatory rhetoric, and has developed a theology of revenge whose tenets he spreads wherever he can."

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